

Cold Wave
Across Prairies

WINNIPEG (CP)—Freezing temperatures continued to lower thermometers on the prairies today and meteorological officials forecast more cold weather to fight and tomorrow. Coldest spot was Fort Vermilion, Alta., where the mercury slipped to 28 degrees below. Light snow fell in Alberta and Manitoba.

Mystery Vacation

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt disclosed today he might go away on a vacation and said he might surprise everybody. Answering a news conference question, he said he might go to most any point, north, east, south or west, and that his plans were somewhat in a state of flux.

V.C. Coming Home

LONDON (CP)—Canada's newest Victoria Cross winner, Maj. David V. Currie of Medicine Hat, Alta., and Owen Sound, Ont., will return to the Dominion on leave, probably within a few days, it was learned today.

The 32-year-old major will fly to England from the continent. Probably he will be decorated by the King at a Buckingham Palace investiture on the way home.

Tribute to Hull

DES MOINES (AP)—Lauding State Secretary Cordell Hull for "his character, integrity and grasp of great issues," the Earl of Halifax, British Ambassador to the U.S., today expressed his regret this afternoon that illness had compelled Mr. Hull to resign. Lord Halifax described Mr. Hull as a "great public servant to his country and a great example to the statesmen of any country—universally respected, known and trusted."

Hitler 'Broken Man'
Says Swedish Source

LONDON (CP)—The Swedish newspaper Sydsvenska Dagbladet of Malmö reports Adolf Hitler is neither dead nor in Japan but a "worn out, broken man" suffering from a grave illness known only to a few people. A Swede, just returned from Berlin after a considerable time, was quoted by the newspaper as authority.

Canadians May Break
Air Parley Deadlock

CHICAGO (AP)—The Canadian delegation attempted today to break the British-U.S. deadlock on a "fifth freedom" of the air with a compromise proposal which retains much of the detail outlined in the U.S. plan. The Canadian draft was submitted at a joint subcommittee meeting called to work on the stalemate in free debate by the 54 countries represented at the International Civil Aviation Conference.

Stettinius Named
To Succeed Hull

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt today nominated Under-Secretary Edward R. Stettinius, 44, to be Secretary of State.

Two and a half hours after accepting the resignation of State Secretary Hull because of ill-health, the President sent the name of Stettinius to the Senate as Mr. Hull's successor.

Russ Take Hatvan,

MOSCOW (AP)—Russian armored units lashed out from captured Hatvan toward the Danube north of Budapest today while directly downstream from the Hungarian capital another Red Army formation was reported to have seized a foothold on narrow Csepel Island.

Hatvan, 25 miles northeast of Budapest, fell Sunday after a 10-day struggle. With its capture Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky was able to manoeuvre his 2nd Ukrainian Army for double attacks to outflank Budapest.

Berlin said Red Army units fought their way into the northern tip of Csepel Island in the Danube River five miles south of the capital's municipal boundary, but claimed they had been repulsed in an attempt to cross into western Hungary "to take Budapest from the rear."

Meanwhile, troops of Gen. Ivan Petrov's 4th Ukrainian Army shattered a main 60-mile defence line across eastern Slovakia by capturing the key rail and road hub of Michalovce and Humenne, in a 12-mile advance northwest of Ungvar.

Ralston Refuses to Head Government
Premier Sees Possibility of AnarchyAllied Armies Push
Along Entire Front;
Planes Pound Nazis

By WILLIAM FRYE

LONDON (AP)—Allied armies surged forward along the entire west front today, smashing into enemy lines raked and battered by hundreds of fighters and bombers from southeastern Holland to the Swiss frontier.

GAIN 6 MILES

A six-mile drive by U.S. army infantry menaced Germany's Saar in a new sector today by reaching the vicinity of Merten, less than a mile from the border and about six miles from Saarlautern.

In hard and bloody fighting, U.S. 1st army troops stormed into the centre of Langerwehe, 24½ miles from Cologne and last major German road centre west of the flooded Roper River. At dusk, the infantry was slugging it out with the Nazis house to house.

British Troops
Gain 500 Yards

British 2nd Army troops to the north gained 500 yards northeast of Gellenkirchen and other U.S. forces cut slowly deeper into Germany.

The British 2nd Army ironed out a bow in their line near Tripsdrath while other troops of Lt. Gen. Dempsey's force probed the thick defences of Venlo on the Maas River in Holland.

The U.S. 3rd Army infantry drove through the French Lorraine road centre of St. Avold. Their advance also placed them within 17 miles of sprawling Saarbrücken. The Germans had fought stubbornly for the important communications town 15 miles west of Sarreguemines, but withdrew Sunday night.

The 3rd Army widened its front inside the German Saar basin to 19 miles.

The 1st Army burst finally into the forest battlefield town of Hurlingen and captured Frenz, 25 miles from Cologne. Langerwehe is 15 miles east of the German frontier.

Frenz is 14 miles inside Germany and north of the highway

leading through threatened Duren to the great Rhineland city. Troops stood within four miles of Duren.

Heavy infantry battles flamed around Barmen, 4,000 yards north of Julich on the U.S. 9th Army front, Kislar, 3,000 yards west, and Kirchberg, 4,000 yards due south. Flood waters of the Roer flowed through the Barmen streets, hampering the U.S. forces but forcing the Germans from cellars in the village.

The U.S. 7th Army stabbed a spur 12 miles north from Strasbourg at the Rhine toward Karlsruhe in Germany.

The 10th Armored Division of the U.S. 3rd Army won high ground in advance deeper into Germany west of Orscholz, seven miles northeast of the road centre of Merzig. The 90th Infantry drove ½ mile ahead on a three-mile front between Merzig and Saarlautern, fortified German town on the Saar River.

The British 2nd Army was slowly pushing the bitterly-resisting Germans back in the Aachen sector and reached high ground overlooking the Wurm north of Gellenkirchen.

Another Parade
In Prince George

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C.—A repetition of Saturday's parade through Prince George streets was staged just before noon today by approximately 500 Home Defence soldiers, some carrying placards. The parade was orderly and the men in jovial mood.

Civilians hurried about their business and appeared to ignore the marchers. Provosts and provincial police kept close watch.

Placards read: "Win the war in Ottawa before the war in Berlin," "Down with the Canadian Legion," "When Ottawa does right, we'll fight," and "Conscript wealth."

The parade lasted less than an hour and the men returned to barracks in army trucks.

(See report on earlier demonstrations Page 2.)

Superforts From China, Saipan
Pound Nippon Capital, Bangkok

WASHINGTON (AP)—B-29 Superfortresses went on the warpath again today, hitting Tokyo for the second time in four days and striking at Japanese installations in Thailand (Siam).

Like a boxer crossing up his foe with a right and a left to vulnerable spots, the big bombers struck the enemy capital from Saipan in one blow and then in another came across simultaneously from India bases to hit Thailand.

Not one Superfortress was lost to the enemy as the twin commands of the newly extended B29 armada smashed today at the Tokyo industrial waterfront and vital railroad yards in Bangkok in Japanese Thailand.

A War Department announcement said the second attack in four days on the Japanese capital was conducted in "sizeable force," but results were not observed because the bombing was accomplished through a heavy undercast with precision instruments.

B-29's can carry as much as 10 tons of explosives. In the original announcement, there was no estimate of the number of Superfortresses returning to Tokyo today. Last Friday's contingent was described as a "large task force."

The Japanese, as is their habit, reported that today's visit by the B-29's resulted only in "slight damage to nonmilitary facilities."



LEADS RAIDS ON JAPAN—Brig. Gen. Emmett "Rosie" O'Donnell, 38-year-old Brooklyn native, whose home is now in Jamaica, N.Y., commands the U.S. air force now directing their attention to Tokyo and other parts of Japan.

The Tokyo radio reported the raid was at "extremely high altitudes" and under weather conditions that prevented "accurate bombing of important targets."

JAPANESE VERSION

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Tokyo radio reported today that two formations of about 40 Superfortresses struck simultaneously at the Tokyo area and Bangkok in Thailand.

The Watch On the Rhine

King Accepts Resignation
Of Power, Minister for Air

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King this afternoon announced in the Commons acceptance of the resignation of Air Minister Power.

Mr. Power took the seat formerly occupied by J. F. Pouliot, Liberal member for Temiscouata, Que., who crossed the floor last week. He received a round of applause as he entered the House.

Mr. King said he had been unable to persuade Maj. Power to reconsider his resignation, tendered last week.

Mr. Power said in a letter of resignation read by Mr. King that he could not accept the policy of compulsory overseas service for draftees as he did not think it necessary at this time and did not think it would save one Canadian casualty.

The number of troops reported required was relatively small and he did not feel justified in accepting a recommendation from Defence Minister McNaughton he could not accept from his predecessor, Hon. J. L. Ralston.

In reply, written today, Mr. King said he had hoped Maj. Power would reconsider. He said he hoped the service Maj. Power could render the war effort would outweigh other considerations.

DEEP REGRET

He expressed deep regret at the departure of "so trusted a colleague" from the government and paid high tribute to Mr. Power's services.

"No two men ever worked closer together than he and I," said Mr. Power, referring to Col. Ralston, as he spoke after Mr. King.

He said he was convinced Col. Ralston's course had been dictated by courage and honor. The cabinet, in taking into account Col. Ralston's recommendation that conscription for overseas be imposed, had to take into consideration other factors. The decision of the cabinet was taken and had now been changed. He was leaving the cabinet for opposite reasons to Col. Ralston.

He did not believe the course taken was necessary to provide reinforcements at the time and places required.

Mr. Power said the supreme commander of the Allied forces, Gen. Eisenhower, had said the

enemy must be struck at all points. This required reinforcements at once. No commander would take experienced men out of a unit and replace them with new men in the front line. The logical thing seemed to be to take units out of the front line and re-fit them.

Neither ultimate victory nor national honor required that Canadians be in action every hour when thousands of Europeans were clamoring for revenge and the opportunity to fight.

GLORY SECURE

Mr. Power said Canada's glory already was secure and this war surely was more than a competition for casualties.

He said he had given sincere and conscientious consideration to Col. Ralston's recommendation and adhered to the policy of the government. He could not change without reason.

Conscription might have been justified as an urgent matter of national defence. It might have been justified in 1940 when the Allies were facing defeat. It might have been justified had "D-Day—June 6—been a failure. It could not be justified now.

Maj. Power said sincere convictions had given away to hysteria with a weakening of faith in public men on all sides. Sir Wilfrid Laurier had believed he could not belong to a party of one province and Maj. Power said he could not accept any policy of isolationism within Canada and he hoped for full unity and peace in Canada in his time.

DEPARTS IN SORROW

"I depart in sorrow and not in anger," Mr. Power said. "I shall never forget or never regret my association with the Prime Minister."

He wished to thank all the officers and noncommissioned officers and others who had served under him.

Mr. Power was Canada's first Air Minister and was responsible for the development and administration of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

On Nov. 17 he announced the plan would be completed March 31, 1945.

Mr. Power was first elected to the Commons in 1917 and assumed a cabinet post in 1935 when he became pensions minister. He later became post-master-general and was made air minister when that portfolio was established in 1940.

Commons Must Unite
Behind Government;
Canadians in Reich

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King told the House of Commons this afternoon that former Defence Minister Ralston was asked to head the government and take responsibility for a conscription policy, but would not do so.

The Prime Minister said Canada faced the possibility of "anarchy" unless the House of Commons could unite behind a government that can carry on.

The Prime Minister said that sometimes he had questioned whether Canada was going too far in army expansion, but had accepted advice given him. He had sought to make every man in the army as secure as possible.

Mr. King informed the House Canadian soldiers now were fighting on German soil in some places.

Col. Ralston had been asked to take over the government before he resigned Nov. 1 as minister of national defence, he said.

"A minister has no right to leave the ministry unless he is prepared to take responsibility for the policies he advocates," declared Mr. King.

Previously the Prime Minister had introduced a motion calling for support of the Commons to the government in its war effort.

Mr. King said in the House last week he regarded the motion as one of confidence. In his review of manpower regulations today he said the 1942 plebiscite relieved the government of pledge against conscription but did not impose an obligation to introduce conscription.

The Prime Minister spoke before a packed House and was applauded when he rose. He spoke first of Air Minister Power, whose resignation he had announced a few minutes previously. He said the resignation indicated the seriousness of the matter under consideration—conscription for overseas service.

He spoke slowly as he began to "review the development" of this question since the beginning of the war. Divisions in the cabinet he appreciated would be reflected in the house and in the country.

Mr. King said that in 1939 he had called Parliament and asked the members to authorize Canada's war declaration. The authorization was given, but there was a condition that there would be no conscription for overseas service.

"We had not been under way very long when we met opposition from outside sources which I feared might undermine public confidence in the administration," he said.

Parliament was dissolved and during the election campaign all parties had made clear their views on conscription. Members of the government had promised there would be no conscription for overseas.

"We had given our word—one more strongly than myself—that there would be no overseas conscription," Mr. King said.

In the following year, France fell and the world awakened to the fact that the enemy's power was vastly greater than that needed to dominate one country and was "indeed great enough to dominate the world."

Canadians became acutely conscious that their own country might be involved. The National Resources Mobilization Act was passed. It adopted the principle of conscription for service in Canada.

A fresh agitation for conscription arose. It was represented that the government would resort to conscription except for the obligations it had assumed. There was no question of the government's power to invoke

conscription, but up to that time there was a moral obligation not to do so.

1942 Plebiscite
Not Command

The government felt that at some time there might be a conflict between the moral obligation and the legal obligation to take all necessary steps for the prosecution of the war.

So a plebiscite was taken and the affirmative was unanimously carried.

It was "an entire falsification" to say that the plebiscite gave the government a mandate to carry out conscription. It was widely represented, however, that this was the case.

Mr. King quoted from a speech he made in 1942 when he said the restriction in the N.R.M.A. preventing conscription for overseas was looked on by some as limiting the war effort. Conscription has been made the symbol of an all-out effort. The manpower plebiscite was to decide whether the government should be freed of past pledges in respect to conscription. It did not commit the government to conscription, but left it free to make its decision on overseas conscription in light of circumstances.

The plebiscite vote left no doubt as to the freedom of the government to act, said Mr. King.

No good purpose could now be served by having the results of the plebiscite referred to in terms other than those he had outlined. The enactment of Bill 80 in 1942 followed the plebiscite, 2½ years ago. It was brought into the House to make clear the government had the power to impose conscription in a whole or to a limited extent. In debate it had been made clear the government could use conscription for overseas if the need developed.

No government with a sense of responsibility would have been left in any position where it was uncertain of its powers in meeting conditions which might arise.

Conscription
To Extent Needed

The government policy represented not necessarily conscription, but conscription if necessary and to the extent necessary.

All of 1942, 1943 and the first seven months of 1944 had gone by without any need for action under provisions of Bill 80.

Hon. R. B. Hanson, (P.C.—York, N.B.), interjected that he had introduced a motion in 1942 calling for total national selective service which would place men where they were needed—in the forces, in industry and in agriculture.

Mr. King said Mr. Hanson could speak for himself. The Prime Minister went on with his address.

"There was nothing before the government up to August of this year which suggested there was any need of conscription for overseas reinforcements," said Mr. King.

Hon. J. L. Ralston, who resigned as defence minister Nov. 1, for a long time had contemplated the possibility that some time conscription might be necessary, but up to that time had made no suggestion, expressed or implied, that the time had arrived.

From the first both he and Col. Ralston were determined the issue should not develop into a "King-Ralston battle" as the matter had been represented. There was nothing personal. Each stood sincerely for a point of view.

On Aug. 7 a request came from the chief of staff for 750 additional men for Italy. Mr. King said he at once asked if meeting

that request would affect the general manpower situation or would create a shortage elsewhere in the event of some unexpected development. The war committee of the cabinet was assured by the chief of staff, with Col. Ralston present, that the situation would not be disturbed in any way.

In September the Quebec Conference was held when chiefs of staff of Canada and the United Kingdom met, and the cabinet war committee also met Prime Minister Churchill and the United Kingdom chiefs of staff where matters relating to the armed forces were disclosed, more particularly in respect to the Pacific and what might be needed there. Reduction in forces was among the matters of the future discussed, but nothing was said which would make the Canadian government expect the need of conscription for overseas.

This would indicate the extent of the shock when conscription for overseas was recommended, said Mr. King.

Later, representations were made that men sent to the front were not adequately trained.

Col. Ralston had wished to observe matters for himself and went overseas. He had sent back word there was no support for the suggestion men insufficiently trained were being sent into battle.

On Oct. 13 Col. Ralston had cabled reassurances about the training the men were receiving, but said he was alarmed at the reinforcement situation. He asked for a meeting immediately on his return.

When he met the Prime Minister he expressed belief that it would be necessary to send Home Defence troops overseas as reinforcements. Col. Ralston made the recommendation to the cabinet.

A great deal of time was spent discussing the matter, but the lengthy discussions did not prejudice the position of the men overseas.

Col. Ralston had indicated that the situation would not develop into any serious proportions until early in the new year.

The recommendation for conscription came after five years of war and on the eve of victory.

There could have been no more onerous obligation on ministers than to find some solution short of a complete break-up of the government in a time of war.

Methods in New
Campaign Queried

Certain conditions were developing in Canada. A most intensive campaign was carried on. The methods used might be condemned.

He had said overseas conscription would be imposed when it was "necessary and advisable."

Mr. King said the cabinet members who felt a resort to conscription was not necessary quoted statements by various leaders as to the likely duration of the war and the expectation of early victory, with reference to the five years which had passed without conscription. There was a feeling Canada had failed in nothing to make the war effort a total one and borne her share. It was hard to accept the need for overseas conscription so late, as it was felt nothing had been denied the army until this time.

Mr. King said he had full confidence in the ability of men of military experience he had about him.

Churchill's Birthday

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Churchill plans to spend his 70th birthday Thursday in the "usual way" apart from a special family dinner, No. 10 Downing Street said today.

NEW RELEASES ON

Decca Records
"SINCE YOU WENT AWAY" — TWO HEAVENS — Jerry Waldo's orchestra — 59c
"WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES" — "COME OUT, COME OUT WHEREVER YOU ARE" — Charlie Barnet's orchestra — 80c

KENT ROACH
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Canadians in Italy Voice Views On 16,000

By DOUG HOW

WITH THE CANADIAN CORPS IN THE ADRIATIC (CP)

—Men of the Canadian corps in Italy received with mingled feeling the news that 16,000 Canadian Home Defence troops will be made available for overseas service in the European theatre.

Some men expressed disappointment the war would not be completed with a Canadian volunteer army, while others speculated about what possibility the reinforcements would lend to the chance of five-year men getting home on furlough.

To a surprising extent the men were tolerant in their view about the pending arrival of the conscripts, most of them leaning to the view that their reception would depend on themselves.

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H.D. Men Urged To Cease Protests

Week-End Demonstrations Lead To Scenes In 6 B.C. Towns

VANCOUVER (CP) — An appeal went out to all troops in the Pacific Command today to refrain from "unsoldierly" acts following a wave of week-end anti-conscription demonstrations by Home Defence troops in six British Columbia towns.

Maj.-Gen. G. R. Pearkes, V.C., general officer commanding-in-chief, Pacific Command, made the appeal according to an official prepared statement which said the troops were "merely blowing off steam" and that the troops were not confined to any one nationality "but comprised a cross-section of all Canadian provinces."

There was no indication from Pacific Command of any tightening of regulations in any camps where Home Defence men are stationed, although it was announced in Ottawa Saturday that discipline would be made more strict until the present situation becomes less tense.

Pacific Command in its prepared statement said the "demonstrators were protesting what they termed a 'phony conscription' and expressing their disapproval of a form of compulsion which they considered discriminatory."

A French-Canadian soldier in military custody in Prince George, where provincial police charged he tore a Union Jack from a flag pole and attempted to mutilate it and two Provost Corps N.C.O.s were injured in attempting to stop a parade at Chilliwack.

PARADE IN NANAIMO
NANAIMO (CP) — In orderly column but shouting, some 150 Home Defence troops stationed at Camp Nanaimo marched through downtown streets Sunday. The majority were from an English-speaking unit.

"Down with conscription," "Down with the Legion" and "We'll be back — we've just begun" were the slogans shouted. Provost officers confiscated two cameras produced by marching men to take pictures of the parade, but this was the only incident on the march.

The troops had formed inside camp confines and kept their ranks through city streets. A few civilians stopped to watch, but the majority of people kept on walking.

It was noted that one G.S. was in the parade and the highest rank N.C.O. was a corporal. The men covered about three miles in their march from the camp, downtown and back to camp. Officers along the route were taking identification notes of the men in parade.

SCENES IN COURTENAY
COURTENAY (CP) — Three hundred Home Defence soldiers paraded through the streets of this town Saturday night in an anti-conscription demonstration, but the only violence was the breaking of a window in the Canadian Legion Hall.

The soldiers came to Courtenay from Sandwick, two miles away, and after marching in rain for an hour shouting "no conscription," they returned to camp.

There was no attempt to stop the soldiers.

PRINCE GEORGE
PRINCE GEORGE, B.C. (CP) — Pte. Rene Gouin, a member of

an army unit stationed here, was turned over to army provosts by provincial police after making restitution of \$12 for tearing a Union Jack after taking it from a flag pole at the Prince George Citizen late Saturday night.

Pte. Gouin is a member of a French-Canadian Regiment.

Gouin was arrested by Constable A. W. Demmon in the lane adjacent to the weekly newspaper office. Demmon said Gouin was in the act of mutilating the flag.

Military police are searching for a companion of Gouin.

In view of anticipated disciplinary army action, no charges were laid against Gouin by the civilian police.

The flag-tearing incident came in the wake of an orderly parade by 800 Home Defence soldiers in Prince George Saturday afternoon. During the parade the soldiers, only a small fraction of the total strength in the district, shouted: "Down with conscription." Following the parade, they boarded trucks and returned to camp.

The parade did not last long because of a blinding snowstorm. Most of the marchers were grumbling as they walked around the town's business section. Besides shouting: "Down with conscription," the Home Defence men voiced a demand to "let them conscript wealth, too."

DEMAND AT TERRACE
TERRACE, B.C. (CP) — French-Canadian Home Defence soldiers stationed at Terrace have demanded to be sent back to their homes in Quebec, it was learned here.

They have performed only camp services pending an answer to their demand, which was sent to military headquarters at Ottawa.

Some 1,500 Home Defence men staged an orderly anti-conscription parade here Saturday, but there have been no further incidents since then.

There were no incidents caused by the marchers. Some soldiers not in the parade tore a sign from the Canadian Legion hall.

Quite a number of the paraders carried their rifles as they moved along the streets of the village, but civilians' fears were allayed when the Home Defence men showed no indications of creating any incident.

The men carried banners with such texts as "Down with conscription" and "The Zombie strikes back." As they left the camp they gave the "eyes right" to the acting commanding officer, Lt.-Col. W. B. Hendrie of Hamilton, Ont.

TWO INJURED IN CHILLIWACK
CHILLIWACK (CP) — Two army provosts were injured when they scuffled with approximately 150 H.D.'s who marched along the city's main streets in an anti-conscription parade Saturday night.

Sgt. Charles Marvis suffered a broken kneecap and the other injured military policeman was Cpl. A. Smith. Both were taken to hospital. Two platoons of about 130 men patrolled Chilliwack streets following the demonstration.

Sgt. Marvis is head of the Chilliwack army provost corps detachment.

Cpl. Smith was hit over the head with a bottle when he and Marvis attempted to stop the demonstration.

Military police arrested a soldier accused of kicking Sgt. Marvis.

The Chilliwack parade, although possibly the smallest of any so far, produced the most disorder.

Four members of the provost corps were given first aid at a drugstore for minor injuries suffered in clashes with marchers. John Davidson, a veteran of this war, was pushed but not injured, and the marchers failed in an attempt to upset a military patrol truck.

The marchers attempted to overturn the truck, but the driver managed to get it in motion before the men could upset it.

There was a slight disturbance when the Home Defence soldiers pushed over a sign urging men to enlist for active service. One civilian was involved, but there were no reports of anyone being injured.

VERNON QUIET
VERNON (CP) — The camp town of this northern Okanagan community has returned to normal after a restive week-end, but its citizens have been expecting a renewal of Friday night's anti-conscription demonstration by draftees of the 6th Division stationed at the nearby military camp.

Sixteen additional men were brought from Kamloops to reinforce the Provost Corps stationed here, but no restrictions were placed on the movement of Home

Defence soldiers from the camp during the week-end.

Soldiers confined to barracks Friday night after the demonstrations were told Vernon was out of bounds for the rest of the evening.

Senior camp officials, Lt.-Col. Jack MacGregor, and Brig. G. A. McCarter, were inquiring into the outbreak which occurred in their absence and shortly after the departure from the camp of a draft of General Service troops.

Brig. McCarter and Col. MacGregor were both in Vancouver attending an investigation under Lt.-Gen. E. W. Samson into a press conference held by a number of Pacific Command officers last Monday.

Back in Vernon Brig. McCarter reiterated there were only a few French-Canadian soldiers scattered among the Home Defence personnel at the camp. There is no French-Canadian unit stationed here now, he said.

"An inquiry is under way to find out what happened and at present we are inclined to make little of the incident," he said.

"I will not be in a position to make a statement until this inquiry is completed."

OBSERVERS' STORIES
Eyewitnesses of the draftees' march through town said a captain, still unidentified by military spokesmen, strode into the front ranks of the parade just as it was entering town. He was jostled back onto the sidewalk, where he got into an argument with a Home Defence soldier who was taking no part in the parade. He was heard to call the soldier "a yellow zombie" just before the pair came to blows. The captain was knocked to the pavement and both parties were hustled off in a provost wagon.

The legend "Zombies are not welcome" appears scrawled on several buildings in the downtown area alongside comments of an even more abrupt nature.

QUEBEC INCIDENT
RIMOUSKI, Que. (CP) — Three Union Jacks were burned in the course of anti-conscription demonstration here Sunday night by about 200 civilians headed by a few soldiers from the vocational training school. Most of the participants were youths under 20.

The demonstration, which lasted about an hour, started with the youths marching through the streets singing "O Canada." They stopped in front of the city hall, where one flag was burned. Later, two more flags were burned in front of the Knights of Columbus canteen.

Police did not interfere and there was no further disturbance.

**Ralston Stand
May Decide Vote
In Commons**

By R. K. CARNEGIE

OTTAWA (CP) — A thoughtful and experienced member of Parliament told the Canadian Press he was confident the fate of the Liberal Government would hinge on how Hon. J. L. Ralston, former defence minister, votes on Prime Minister King's confidence motion in the Commons this week.

"If Col. Ralston votes confidence in the government," he said, "then I think the government will stand, but if he votes 'no' then it seems to me enough members will follow his lead that even if the ministry is not defeated the margin would be so small that Mr. King would seriously consider resigning."

Progressive Conservatives are planning an amendment which no doubt will blame the government for not going all out for conscription. As all Quebec members will vote with the government on this division, the ministry should have a substantial majority.

Then there may be an amendment by the anti-conscriptionists against sending draftees overseas. This is likely to be defeated by a substantial majority.

Finally will come the division on Mr. King's motion asking for a vote of confidence and that will be the real test.

POSSIBLE DIVISION
There are 11 vacancies in the 245-member house, so the total voting strength is 234. Some members, however, are overseas and some are not attending the session, so the maximum number likely to answer the division bells will not exceed 224.

The total anti-conscription vote, including those Quebec Liberal members who will break with their party on this issue and those who already from time to time have crossed the floor is not expected to exceed 40. The Progressive Conservatives have 38, the C.C.F. 10 and Social Crediters 10.

If all the foregoing dissatisfied with the government should unite against the motion, the anti-conscriptionists because they oppose this step by the ministry

'Down With Conscription' Quebec Audience Shouts

MONTREAL (CP) — Hon. P. J. A. Cardin, former public works minister who left the King cabinet in 1940 on the conscription issue, Sunday night told a tumultuous anti-conscription rally in east end Maisonneuve district that "conscription for overseas service is not necessary" and that "if our commitments are too great they should be reduced to smaller proportions, in conformity with our capacity."

The meeting, which at the start was interrupted by a group of hecklers who prevented Sarto Fournier, Liberal M.P. for Maisonneuve-Rosemont, from speaking to any length, quieted down to listen attentively to Mr. Cardin, member for Richelieu Vercheres who is still sitting on the government side of the house.

However, it was not until Jacques Sauriol, a defeated Bloc Populaire candidate in Maisonneuve in the last provincial general election, was evicted after trying to speak, supported by a group of partisans, that the jammed hall of the Maisonneuve school gave its full attention to Mr. Cardin.

An attempt by the organizers of the meeting to have the crowd sing "God Save the King" in French at the start of the meeting was foiled when a strong group of listeners objected and began to sing "O Canada" with some shouting "Down with the King!" and "Down with conscription."

Mr. Fournier, who said the meeting had been called to provide Mr. Cardin and himself with an opportunity to explain their present and past attitude in regard to the conscription problem, said that "such behavior by a small, obviously-organized group will certainly not help our cause with English-speaking groups outside the province who sympathize with our ideas."

"Let's not belittle the conscription problem by such goings-on," Mr. Fournier said. "It's a problem which vitally interests the nine provinces, the country as a whole."

Mr. Fournier said that "those 200 people in Toronto who control the Globe and Mail would welcome disorder in the province of Quebec."

"Indeed, it would make them very happy. Don't fall in their trap. Breaking a few windows in the offices of the Montreal Star or the Montreal-Gazette won't settle the problem."

Mr. Fournier said in Northern Ireland, which is part of no conscription and that conscription did not exist either in New Zealand.

NO NEW GROUP
Mr. Cardin said he was not at the meeting to inaugurate an electoral campaign "and I do not appear here as the leader of a new political group."

"I will vote against the government and my former colleagues when Mr. King's motion — which he says he considers as a vote of confidence — is called in the house," Mr. Cardin said.

He still hoped that some even would occur within the next few days that would prompt the government to withdraw its order-in-council making 16,000 draftees available as reinforcements for the overseas army, but the fact remained that the government had resorted to conscription.

"Whether it's a miniature or mitigated form of conscription, I want no part of it," said Mr. Cardin.

But the people in the province ought to be careful not to antagonize through "exaggerated" demonstrations other parts of the country which sympathize with Quebec's viewpoint.

"CHILDISH ARGUMENT"
The argument that "if more people enlisted, conscription would not be necessary" was a childish argument, the speaker said. He did not fear a union government, because it certainly could not go any further than the present government. It might even be a good thing for the Liberals to sit on opposition benches for a while; it would strengthen them.

Mr. Cardin ended his speech by an appeal to the English-speaking population of Quebec "who control the economy, the natural resources of Quebec, whose capital we help to enlarge, whose papers we read, for whom we

and the others because the step has not gone far enough, they could only muster 98 of the 224 votes.

This takes no account of pairs which of course would reduce the numbers but not the majority.

So the Canadian Press informant has figured it out that it all depends on how Col. Ralston votes.

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At the time of Pearl Harbor, the U.S. army air forces had about 3,000 planes, of which only 1,157 were actually suited to combat service.

to cutthroat competition in which powerful and well-prepared United States interests would dominate, or whether it will be safeguarded by international convention to preserve an opportunity for all countries, large and small, to participate.

The U.S. delegation has asked for a convention providing the right of long distance operators to handle intermediate or "way" traffic and to count such traffic in their total when applying for the right to increase flight frequencies.

The British delegates agree to the intermediate traffic freedom—the so-called "fifth freedom" of the air—but take the positive stand that the intermediate traffic between and not including traffic embarked at terminal, shall not be counted in applications for increased frequencies under the Canadian "escalator" clause system.

So far as appeared on the surface today the whole fate of the conference seemed to hinge on a reconciliation of this point.

Civil Aviation Conference Nears Final Test

CHICAGO (CP) — A critical stage in the International Civil Aviation Conference began with sub-committee consideration of the independent British-U.S. plans for compromise of their differences over the manner in which global air commerce shall be administered.

Canada, whose part in the deliberations since the conference opened Nov. 1 has won the respect of all 54 national delegations, is expected again to play a major part in the final negotiations, if they are to be successful.

The large joint sub-committee considering what may be a final draft convention for global air commerce control started consideration today whether international civil aviation will be opened

Moose Jaw Major Wins 7th V.C. Of War For Valor At Falaise Gap

OTTAWA (CP) — Maj. David Currie, 32, of Moose Jaw, Sask., and Owen Sound, Ont., an officer of the South Alberta Regiment, became the seventh Canadian to win the Victoria Cross in this war for blocking and holding one of the main German escape routes out of the Falaise pocket, defence headquarters announced Sunday.

Maj. Currie was born at Sutherland, Sask., and educated at Moose Jaw. He is a graduate of the Moose Jaw Technical School, where he majored in mechanical engineering and for the 10 years prior to the war he was employed in that city as an automobile mechanic and welder.

NOW IN HOLLAND

Since the Falaise action, Maj. Currie, who wears a beret because he doesn't like a steel helmet, has accompanied the Canadian 1st Army in the drive across France and into Holland. His squadron led Canadians in Bergen op Zoom, after the campaign along the Leopold Canal, which Currie said was "a little too tough for us because the country was too flooded."

Currie — whom Gen. Crerar congratulated personally at 1st Canadian Army headquarters on Saturday — is still commanding his squadron. He didn't know then what was in store for him, but hopes whatever it was would not put him on the sidelines for the closing phases of the war.

A member of the nonpermanent active militia for almost 10 years, he was appointed to the active army, with the rank of lieutenant Jan. 30, 1940, and in April of the following year was posted to Dundurn Camp with the Royal Canadian Engineers. In March, 1941, he was promoted to the rank of captain and detailed for duty at Camp Borden with the Canadian Armored Corps Training Centre. Later he was attached to the 29th Armoured Regiment (South Alberta Regiment).

RETURN MOST IMPORTANT

When Mrs. Currie was informed of her husband's award she said:

"I am so happy for him and I'm thrilled that he has been honored so highly. So many soldiers do just as great, just as brave things without ever having their deeds recognized, but right now, just to see Dave walk in that door, to hear his voice and to hear him laugh, would mean more to me than anything else in the world."

Although the tidings of the high award came as a surprise to Mrs. Currie, the news that her 32-year-old husband had been in some extraordinary action reached her early in October. At that time, interested relatives and friends began to send her newspaper clippings telling of Maj. Currie's audacious exploit.

"Dave's going to be terribly embarrassed by all this," said Mrs. Currie. "He hates to be in the limelight. When I first read the newspaper clippings and knew he'd been in a terrific action of some sort, I wrote him and asked for more particulars. Do you know what he said? Right at the bottom of his letter he crawled: 'What is all this nonsense you're talking about the Falaise Gap? I've been busy ever since coming to France trying hard to win a medal for keeping my head down! Somebody else, no doubt!'"

SAVED TANK CREW

The citation covering the award said:

"In Normandy on Aug. 18, 1944, Maj. Currie was in command of a small mixed force of Canadian tanks, self-propelled anti-tank guns and infantry, which was ordered to cut one of the main escape routes from the Falaise pocket.

"This force was held up by a strong enemy resistance in the village of St. Lambert sur Dives, and two tanks were knocked out by 88-mm guns. Maj. Currie immediately entered the village alone and on foot at last sight, through the enemy outposts, to reconnoitre the German defences and to extricate the crews of the

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Villeneuve Hits Communism in Talk

QUEBEC (CP) — Cardinal Villeneuve, archbishop of Quebec, in two radio addresses Sunday night said that war as waged by Nazi methods was the most terrible of all, that Communism loomed as a threat to religion and Christian civilization, and declared his recent trip to the Vatican and fighting fronts had "no diplomatic, civil or military mission."

He spoke first in English over a national network of the CBC and later read a part of a pastoral letter over a French-language network.

"I begin," he said in his pastoral letter, "by stating clearly that on this trip, whatever anyone may say, I had no diplomatic, civil or military mission. 'I was under no obligation to serve either the voluntary system of conscription; nor to condemn the supporters of a war policy or those advocating a policy of abstention. That was not within my province. 'I went because of one fact; namely, that thousands of our faithful in Canada are on the battlefield.'"

OPPOSING VIEWS
"Whatever may have been, in its remote or immediate causes, the origin of the conflict in which we are now engaged—and it must be frankly admitted that some of these causes could have been eradicated—the present conflict has long since developed into one of opposite ideologies: one which tends to dispossess man of his most precious liberties of his very soul, to make him a blind tool of the state; the other which fights to preserve, amid the vicissitudes inherent to man's fallen nature, the Christian concept of man's dignity."

In his half-hour French-language pastoral letter address, the cardinal, reviewing his Vatican visit, stated: "Echoes reached me on every side of new evils that would eventually be most serious: 'Communism, whose insidious propaganda is penetrating all peoples and the highest circles, to the point that it looms as an irreducible threat to religion and to Christian civilization.'"

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Robots Tougher Than 1940 Blitz Britons Declare

From BRITISH INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC OPINION

TORONTO — If Germany had been able to continue her "buzz bomb" attacks on southern England from the coast of then-occupied Europe, she would have had a more potent weapon than the aerial blitz of 1940 and 1941, judging from results of a survey conducted by the British Institute of Public Opinion. The largest number of people, particularly among women, admit that they found the flying bombs more "trying" than the blitz.

The survey by the British Institute (an affiliate of the Canadian, United States, Australian and Swedish Institutes) was confined to southern England, main target of the V-1 or Robot bomb. An accurate cross-section of the population in this area (which includes London) was asked: "Do you find the flying bombs more, or less, trying than the Blitz of 1940-1941?"

The survey shows, moreover, that older people found the flying bomb more trying than the Blitz, to a greater extent than did the younger generation—of Britons. Some 54 per cent of those interviewed who were 50 years of age or over said it was more trying, compared with only 45 in the 31-29 year group, and 48 per cent in the 30-49 year age group.

On the whole, these findings give statistical confirmation to the claim that, because of the 24-hour per day schedule of the flying bomb, it was harder to put up with than the Blitz. This fact would be harder on the older generation than the more resilient younger people. Less apparent is the reason for the fact that, while those people in the upper income group in southern England show an even division of opinion, the lower income group is quite decided on picking the flying bomb as the most trying.

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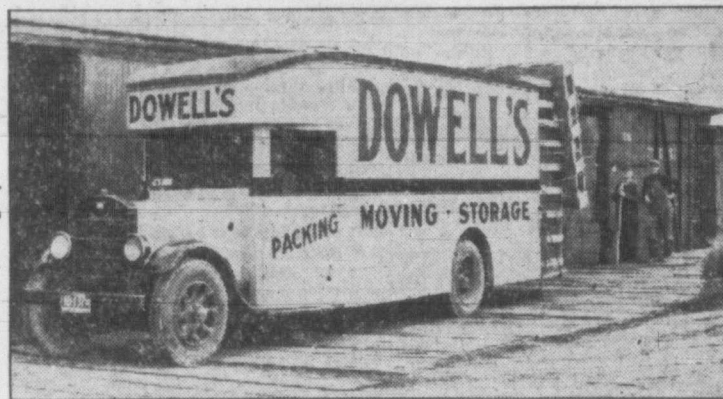


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Wassell Says B.C. Still in Danger

HALIFAX (CP) — Canadians on the west coast are still in danger from the Japanese, Cmdr. C. M. Wassell of the U.S. Navy, veteran of Pacific fighting, declared in an interview here Sunday.

"The war is far from over in the Pacific," said the officer-surgeon, who won the U.S. Navy Cross for evacuating wounded from Java.

"Canadians on the west coast are still in jeopardy," he added. "Canadians little realize what a stranglehold the Japs had on western waters. I firmly believe the Japanese know the west coastal waters better than did the Canadian admiralty."

Hulbert Footner, 65, Novelist, Dies

BALTIMORE (AP) — Hulbert Footner, 65, Canadian-born novelist, playwright and historian, died of a heart attack at his home during the week-end.

He was a native of Hamilton, Ont., and in 1906 was a newspaperman in Calgary. He moved to Maryland almost 35 years ago.

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VENLO AND COLOGNE

ALTHOUGH THE FIGHTING IS GROW-
ing in intensity from the Venlo region
in the north to the southern extremity of
the 400-mile battle line in western Europe,
competent observers have not yet detected
any signs of a diminution of the German
will and capacity to contest every inch of
ground between the present spheres of op-
eration and the Rhine. This does not nec-
essarily mean that Field Marshal Gerd von
Rundstedt can delay indefinitely the use of
his problematical supply of reserves of men
and armor. He knows that General Eisen-
hower is in the enviable position of being
able to apply continuously relentless pres-
sure with superior advantage in men, ma-
chines, guns and air power.

But it begins to look as if the enemy will
not make his supreme effort until a major
break-through at one or more points is
threatened. That seems to be the Nazi
scheme to attempt to settle the issue some-
where on the approaches to the left bank
of the great river bastion. If this should
turn out to be the case, it will not only suit
the plans of the Allied commander-in-chief;
it will likewise demonstrate once and for
all that von Rundstedt's armies are in no
position either to cross the Rhine or, if
they could, to put up much of a fight on
the right bank.

Dispatches today indicate that the in-
creasing success of the British 2nd Army in
the region of Venlo presage a concerted
attempt to turn the German right flank—
the seriousness of which threat Field Mar-
shal von Rundstedt obviously appreciates,
since General Dempsey's ultimate target is
the industrial Ruhr. The other crucial point
in the northern section of the elongated
battleground lies east of Aachen. The great
prize to be captured as a sequel to this long
and extremely bitter fighting, of course, is
the vital Rhenish metropolis of Cologne.
By the capture of Weisweiler by the Ameri-
cans yesterday, one of Hitler's superhigh-
ways can be brought into use by the slowly-
advancing Allies. The large question mark
here is obvious: Is it the intention of the
Nazi high command to defend the old "city
of smells" with the same stubbornness as
in the battle of Aachen?

Regardless of the continued battering
from the air to which Cologne for long has
been subjected, with what all-over results
we do not know, it stands to reason that its
loss would produce an important psycholog-
ical effect on the whole German people. On
what is known as the Cologne plain, there-
fore, may be fought the decisive engagement
of the west; and, in the meantime, General
Dempsey's British 2nd Army will bear
watching.

IMPORTS FLOW AGAIN

ESTIMATES INDICATE THAT THE
value of previously banned commodities,
which were imported into Canada in Au-
gust, was between \$1,000,000 and \$1,250,000.
Most of the new imports embraced table
glassware, glass bottles, jars, toilet soap,
netting, periodicals and jewelry. Importa-
tion of such durable consumer goods as
automobiles, furniture and bedroom fixtures
was small.

The figures for August, the first month
after the lifting of the Import ban, do not
make possible definite conclusions as to
what ultimate effect the end of the ban on
imports will have. It is reasonable to as-
sume that many manufacturers placed large
orders in August in order to obtain as much
merchandise as soon as possible. At the
same time, it is probable that many orders
placed in that month could not be delivered
for quite some time in the future.

It is evident that the removal of the
Import ban by the Dominion government
will lead to increased imports into Canada.
However, so long as hostilities last, these
imports will tend to remain relatively small.
In the first place, few durable goods are
available for sale in the United States at
the present time. In the second place, the
fact should not be overlooked that prices of
certain articles have risen materially in the
United States and are beyond the price
ceilings prevailing in the Dominion. After
the end of the war, however, it may be expected
that imports of goods from the United States
into this country will show a big increase.

INDOMITABLE SPIRIT

THERE IS SOMETHING GREATER THAN
the technical achievement envisioned in
the statement by a Netherlands public works
official that Walcheren Island, flooded when
bombing forays broke its dykes, will be
reclaimed. The restoration, like innumera-
ble other projects which face war ravaged
countries, will be a formidable undertaking.
But, says the indomitable Hollander, it can
be done with the aid of equipment which can
be supplied by Allied countries.

Holland's readiness to undertake her
great task is a sample of that shining cou-
rage which will rebuild a major section of
the world from its present ruins. The Rus-
sians have shown the same spirit in their
plans to reconstruct the mammoth Dnepro-
petrovsk dam. It is a spirit that gives the
lie to those extreme pessimists who a few
years ago saw the world degenerating into
the depths of a new dark age.

LOOSE TALK

TO MEMBERS OF THE VANCOUVER
Bracken Club last Thursday, Major
Bracken, president of the British Co-
lumbia Federation of Trade and Industry,
unfolded a grandiose formula through the
use of which he suggested Canada might
attain economic Utopia in the approaching
postwar era. It should be understood, how-
ever, that the speaker styled himself an
"unabashed Rightist"—urging his auditors,
by the same token, to unite against the con-
solidated forces of the Left.

Just what precise interpretation should
be placed on such a profound definition of
our political extremities is something which
need not unduly worry the vast majority of
Canadians. Nine-tenths of our people are
sufficiently intelligent to differentiate be-
tween the antediluvian philosophy for which
Major Brown so patently stands and the
political nostrums of the would-be emanci-
pators who parade under the banner of state
socialism.

Thinking Canadians, on the other hand,
meaning those who predominate with their
liberal outlook, will want to know what
Major Brown intended to convey to the as-
sembled Brackenites when he said—and we
are quoting from the Canadian Press report
—"immigration from Great Britain, increas-
ing Canada's population to 25,000,000 in the
next decade, rather than foreign trade,
would bring prosperity to Canada." Thirteen
million new citizens of British stock in 10
years! What a grand and glorious vision!
But let us take it apart and have a careful
look at it.

In the first place, the record number of
migrants to enter Canada from all countries
in any one year was 400,870—in 1913—or
about one-third of the total the "unabashed
Rightist" would import from Britain alone
every year until 1951! The total influx from
1900 to 1913, inclusive, was 2,793,742, while
in the 19 years from 1920 to 1939 the arrivals
in Canada from all countries amounted to
4,516,258—or a total of 4,310,000 in the period
in which war did not interfere with the
general movement of peoples.

In the second place, and in view of the
declining birth rate in Britain, what does
Major Brown envision for a British economy
—already suffering from lack of revenue
from liquidated foreign investments—in
1955 with a population reduced probably to
30,000,000 were Canada's "prosperity" to be
realized under his plan? Or perhaps the
Bracken Club speaker had in mind United
States Secretary of the Treasury Mergen-
thau's concept of a postwar Germany re-
duced to a pastoral scene.

Assuming, then, that our foreign trade's
contribution to job provision for several
hundred thousand Canadians—not "una-
bashed Rightists"—needs no special con-
sideration, what does Major Brown intend to
do with, say, our huge wheat surplus of
anywhere from 300 to 400 million bushels an-
nually? Would he suggest we ram it down
our own throats—or would he, on second
thought, trade it to other countries in ex-
change for commodities we cannot economi-
cally produce ourselves? Perhaps Conserva-
tive leader Bracken will enlighten him on
this subject.

This allusion to Major Brown's speech,
of course, is merely to draw attention to
the danger of loose thinking and loose talk.
For every intelligent Canadian knows full
well that not only must Canada increase her
external trade to a point beyond that which
it had reached before the present war broke
out; every intelligent Canadian knows, too,
that Britain's most urgent need is new mar-
kets all over the world. And the social
security proposals of her Conservative gov-
ernment are certainly designed, in part, at
least, to keep her people at home and con-
tented. Finally, nothing in this is intended
to deny Canada's need for more population.
She needs many, many more citizens as
quickly as possible.

MONTREAL AND T.B.

SOME IDEA OF THE TREMENDOUS
advances which have been made in the
field of public health during the past six or
seven decades may now be obtained from a
series of statistical tables recently pub-
lished in Montreal. Death rates from vari-
ous diseases, among them tuberculosis, are
reviewed over a period of 69 years. This
valuable health record covers a period when
the population of Canada's largest city grew
from a scant 124,000 to its present propor-
tions of nearly 1,000,000. In the same period
tuberculosis mortality fell from 340.3 per
100,000 to 72.8. In 1876, when the first
tuberculosis mortality figures were avail-
able, 422 persons died from the disease in
Montreal. It is interesting to note that today
the death toll is even greater, though with a
greatly increased population at risk. In
1943 the number of deaths was 692.

Montreal's most disastrous year, from the
standpoint of tuberculosis, came in 1877,
when the rate reached 354.0. Her best year
was 1940, when the figure dropped to 64.9.
Wartime conditions, however, made it im-
possible to maintain this record low, and
since 1940 the rate has fluctuated from 75.1
in 1941 to 78.3 in 1942, finally reaching
72.8 in 1943. The series of statistical tables
from which these facts have been gleaned
were published under the direction of Dr.
Antoine B. Valois of the Montreal Depart-
ment of Health. They constitute a valuable
record of health conditions in a city which
has made progress in solving its health
problems but which, in the matter of tuber-
culosis prevention, is still far short of
required facilities, both for case finding and
treatment.

There is no question about beating the
Japs. It's just a long and nasty job of
butchering them after they are cornered.

History of a comic strip: A bright new
idea puts it over; the originator dies; an
imitator, having no bright ideas, makes it
another Superman story.

Bruce Hutchison

TYRANNY IN TAXES

THE CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF
Canada no one knows better the detailed
operations of the income tax system. A
thousand problems of taxation and its ap-
plication to individual taxpayers, which few
members of Parliament understand, come
daily before chartered accountants who are
employed to iron out the taxpayer's prob-
lems. Therefore opinions which the ac-
countants have formed of the tax system
should carry great weight.

Such opinions have been laid down in
considered statements by leading account-
ants at the annual meeting of the Domini-
on Association of Chartered Accountants
and they confirm the view, often expressed
in these columns that the tax machinery of
Canada is full of injustices, inequities and
arbitrary powers which flout the whole prin-
ciple of parliamentary government. These
appear in the current number of the Cana-
dian Chartered Accountant.

Mr. C. A. Patterson, a distinguished ac-
countant, puts his finger on one of the worst
features of the tax system—its concentration
of almost unlimited power of discretion and
arbitrary decision in the Minister of Na-
tional Revenue, which means, in fact, in his
officials. As Mr. Patterson says, the law
provides that "when a taxpayer feels that he
has been wrongfully or improperly as-
sessed by the minister, he may address an
appeal to the minister—that is to the very
man who made the assessment, and ask for
relief." In determining and deciding such
appeals the minister must sit in judgment
in a cause in which, as an administrator,
he is a party and therefore interested. This
violates an elementary principle of natural
justice.

THIS VIOLATION OF THE elementary prin-
ciple of justice is not permitted in Bri-
tain or the United States, where convenient
tribunals of appeal are always open to the
taxpayer. In those countries it is recognized
that the citizen has the right to appear be-
fore a court as the equal of the government,
whereas in Canada he cannot do so—indeed,
cannot appear at all. This fact prompted
Mr. R. B. Hanson, a member of the House
of Commons, to protest in Parliament on
July 17 last, when he said:

"I made an appeal to a minister of national
revenue against the present law relating to ap-
peals from income tax assessment. Under the
law as it is at present, the appeal is from Caesar
to Caesar. . . . The parliamentary assistant to
the minister of finance admitted at once that it
was an empty gesture and a waste of time. Upon
my pressing the minister of national revenue and
arguing that the principle was bad, he would not
admit it, but he intimated that the department
would consider setting up an advisory com-
mittee. That does not meet the situation
because the appeal will still be to the same
jurisdiction."

Up to date there has been no indication
from the government that it will repeal or
even modify the obnoxious principle of the
prosecutor also being the judge. As the law
stands, not only is there no avenue of ap-
peal for the ordinary taxpayer but he is
constantly confused by the changing tax
regulations promulgated by the Minister of
National Revenue. So wide is the discretion
of the minister and his officials that their
regulations are in operation virtually laws
of Canada, Parliament having to a great de-
gree abdicated its right to decide how taxes
shall be collected.

As Mr. Patterson says, the rulings of
the tax department have no technical effect
in law and are merely the administration's
interpretation of the law, but, since it is
impossible for most taxpayers to carry such
rulings to the courts, they are, in most cases,
as effective as a law. He continues:

"Many of these (rulings) are not publicized,
and frequently taxpayers know of them only
when assessments are proposed. This sometimes
leaves a doubt in the minds of the taxpayers as
to whether the same ruling will be applied in
a uniform manner to all cases with similar
conditions. Further, the rulings are not binding
upon the minister and presumably may be
altered, amended or disregarded by the depart-
ment as it sees fit and without notice. To ap-
preciate fully the extent of administrative con-
trol, a study of the (taxation) act reveals that
there are over 40 sections or subsections where-
in the minister may take discretionary action,
about five where he is required to approve or
otherwise, and about eight where the powers
he exercises are deemed to be final and con-
clusive."

TO CURE THESE manifest evils Mr. Pat-
terson suggests that full publicity be
given to all departmental tax rulings so
that the taxpayer may know what to expect
and have more confidence in the administra-
tion; that the changing principles and pol-
icies adopted from time to time by the tax
department be written into the law to limit
the discretionary powers of the Minister of
National Revenue; that the law prescribe a
time limit within which the tax department
must assess the taxpayer for his taxes (for
at present many taxpayers do not know for
years after they have filed their returns
what they owe, whether they have underpaid
or overpaid, the tax collecting machinery
having bogged down under its present load);
and finally that an independent board be
set up to study and rule upon contentious
matters between the administrative officials
and the taxpayer—in other words, a tribunal
accessible to all.

A HUMANE POLICY

From Toronto Telegram

Secretary of War Stimson has announced
that it is now the policy of the U.S. Army
to return to or retain in the United States
the sole surviving son of a family in cases
where two or more sons have been lost, un-
less the surviving son is engaged in non-
hazardous duty overseas. The same humane
policy has been adopted in the U.S. Navy.
The policy is designed to prevent a family
of sons being entirely wiped out where a
number are serving overseas. That is a risk
which has been bravely faced by many fami-
lies where only sons have enlisted, and in
such cases it is a risk the authorities cannot
lighten.

Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE,
Associated Press War Analyst

The fighting which is raging
in the Aachen sector opposite
the great Rhenish city of Cologne
is some of the toughest western
Europe has seen since D-day. At
Weisweiler, which was captured
by the U.S. 1st Army Sunday,
the Americans fought for 24
hours through the streets before
they took the strategic town,
which sits astride Hitler's great
six-lane motor highway to
Cologne.

German defences in this zone
are the key to the rolling ter-
rain a bit farther eastward—
across the river Roer—towards
Cologne. That open plain bids
fair to be the amphitheatre for
the showdown.

NOT YET AT PEAK

The Allied offensive hasn't yet
reached its full intensity. Field
Marshal von Rundstedt is hold-
ing for all he's worth along the
natural defences of the Roer in
an effort to delay fighting in the
open countryside which will call
for far more reserves than he
is likely to be able to muster.

Von Rundstedt, probably al-
ready is employing about as
many reserves as he can rake
up to the defences of the Roer,
which represents the last great
obstacle between the Allies and
the Cologne plain. He's in a
tight spot, for he is short of

man-power and Gen. Eisenhower
still has great forces on which
to call.

For this reason one would ex-
pect the Allied commander to
strike a fresh blow or blows at
almost any moment now in or-
der to take advantage of his
enemy's predicament. There's the
ever-present possibility of an
attempt to turn the German
right flank to the north of
Aachen. Or it might be profitable
to exploit a point showing weak-
ness in the Aachen area. We
always have in mind that big
Allied airborne army which one
of these days presumably will
be dropped behind the German
front.

BRIDGES WATCHED

If Von Rundstedt really has
accepted the gage to combat
the Cologne plain he will indeed
be a smart general if that isn't
his last big battle.

Once he's committed to such
a stand—and he seems to be so
already—he will have fantastic
luck if he is able to withdraw
any considerable portion of his
troops back across the Rhine.
The bridges over that great and
swift river are at the mercy of
the Allied bombers and can be
destroyed at any moment. Those
bridges not only are Von Rund-
stedt's means of escape but they
also are his life-lines for sup-
plies.

Antwerp. Nazis raided Britain.
Mediterranean fleet engaged
Italian naval force west of Sar-
dina; torpedoed one battleship,
damaged three cruisers and two
destroyers. United States and
Russia resumed diplomatic talks.

Letters To The Editor

DIRTY LINEN

Dr. McLeod was right when he
wanted to make his complaints
in private conference as business
men do. Housewives wash their
dirty linen before hanging it out
on the line. Alderman Margaret
Christie might have reminded
them of that fact.

Why such a fuss because some
house-cleaning must be done?
Now is the time to house-clean on
the home front while our boys
are mopping up on the battle
front. It is gratifying to note
that improvements are to be
made about unsanitary prop-
erties.

GRACE JONES.
Saanichton P.O., Nov. 23.

RIPPLE ROCK

I see by today's issue of the
press that the Dominion govern-
ment is prepared again to start
on demolition of Ripple Rock,
so-called menace to navigation.

When will these people learn
that it is impossible for them to
remove 30 feet or more from this
rock, which amount is the least
to bring any margin of safety?
What shipmaster would will-
ingly take his ship over that
point after the affair of the "J.
S. Stewart?"

The best thing the government
can do is to spend that money
in a steel and concrete shear-
water pier, equipped with power-
ful lights and automatic fog
horn, operated from the nearest
available point.

Had such a pier been there at
the time, the accident to the "J.
S. Stewart" would not have oc-
curred. She may have dented a
plate, but the damage would have
been above the waterline, conse-
quently not so serious as the one
incurred.

Some few years ago the people
of our island protested this
foolish destruction, when the
more sensible plan of a well-
lighted shearwater pier was first
brought up.

I should like to see that pro-
gressive spirit again on this
matter.

ROBERT SUTCLIFFE.
Box 345, R.R. 4.

THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO
By The Canadian Press

Nov. 27, 1940—R.A.F. bombed
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THE BALANCE WHEEL

From New York Times
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inflationary force. The cost of
living has been creeping up
again, slowly but surely. To
present further rises it is essen-
tial that the volume of spending
be limited. One significant rea-
son why we have not had a rup-
away price inflation despite the
large excess volume of consumer
buying power has been the good
sense of the American people.
They have to a large extent saved
this excess rather than attempted
to spend it. If there should be
an attempt to spend these funds
before additional supplies of
goods and services become avail-
able, much of the favorable re-
sults to date may be lost.

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IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE



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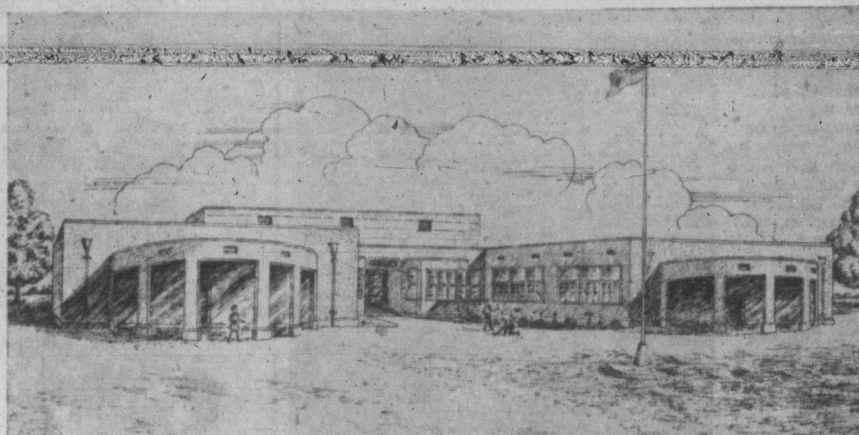
**SKIN BLEMISHES RESPOND TO
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Science shows that many skin troubles due to lack of vitamins



Lemon and lime juice were once used on long sea voyages
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Proposed Saanich Elementary School



This is an artist's sketch of the eight-room school which the Saanich School Board proposes to erect on Rowan Avenue to serve the Shelbourne-Mount Tolmie-Cedar Hill districts. In front of each wing, which contains 4 classrooms, is an outdoor play shelter. To the central rear

is a large auditorium to serve community needs. There is also a library and kitchen. The estimated cost of this frame and stucco building, designed by Hubert Savage, A.R.I.B.A., is \$72,000 of which amount the provincial government will pay \$14,416. Saanich ratepayers will vote on a school money by-law on Dec. 16.

This school, besides alleviating the extreme overcrowding of schools in that district, would also tend to delete certain costs, such as the cost of educating pupils in the Oaklands School, Victoria, which, at present, is estimated at over \$3,000 a year; and the cost of renting St. Luke's Hall, which is estimated at \$1,150 a season.

Deposits and Assets
Of Canadian Bank of
Commerce Increase

Total assets of nearly \$1,179,000,000 are shown in the financial statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for its fiscal year ending Oct. 31. Total assets increased by \$175,000,000 during the year, and quick assets by about \$190,000,000 to \$904,000,000. These quick assets covered over 80 per cent of total liabilities to the public.

Total cash and cash items amounted to nearly \$192,000,000, up \$26,000,000 from last year. Included in this total were notes of, and deposits with, the Bank of Canada of \$115,000,000, about \$17,500,000 more than a year previous. Notes and cheques of, and deposits with, other banks agree-

gated over \$74,000,000, about \$8,000,000 higher.

SECURITY HOLDINGS UP

Total security holdings of \$679,000,000 showed a net increase of \$158,000,000. The major increases in the securities portfolio were in Dominion Government securities maturing within two years, which rose by over \$67,000,000 to \$364,335,000, and in longer-term Dominion Government bonds, the holdings of which, at \$211,003,000, were \$34,200,000 higher than on Oct. 31, 1943. Call loans, resting on securities, increased by over \$5,500,000.

Current loans in Canada were \$201,213,000, compared with \$214,919,000 last year. Loans to provincial governments and local authorities also declined slightly, to about \$7,250,000, as did letters of credit, which were shown as \$24,921,000. Loans outside Canada, however, increased by over \$4,600,000 to \$21,566,000. Real estate accounts, mainly bank premises, all show a decrease.

On the liabilities side of the bank's statement, notes in circulation were \$6,881,000, about \$2,500,000 lower than those outstanding a year previous, the decrease being the result of the general retirement of commercial bank notes in recent years under statutory regulations.

Total deposits rose by \$181,000,000 to \$1,095,014,000. Government deposits showed a net decline, an increase of over \$2,200,000 in provincial government balances being more than offset by a decline of \$9,000,000 in Dominion accounts. Public deposits bearing interest increased by \$103,304,000 to \$333,136,000. Non-interest bearing deposits rose by \$81,500,000 to \$495,583,000.

Net profits, after Dominion taxes, transfer to staff pension fund and amount written off bank premises, were about \$2,047,000, as compared with \$2,044,000 last year.

Carrot Price Complaint

The general public which has complained to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board about paying for carrots by the pound when the carrots are weighed with tops on, were advised by C. A. Conrad, board officer, today to deal at stores where carrots are sold with the tops off.

"There are plenty of stores where carrots are sold with tops off and I would certainly suggest that the public refuse to buy them elsewhere," Mr. Conrad said. "Local growers have taken advantage of the order which was made to apply to young carrots, which do not stand up so well once the tops are removed. Technically the growers are in the right, but they are taking unfair advantage of the order."

Red Cross Ambulance
Donated by Sun Life

Presentation of a \$2,800 cheque for an ambulance for overseas was made in Montreal on Armistice Day to Lt.-Col. W. Leggat, M.C., president of the Canadian Red Cross Society, by Arthur B. Wood, president of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

The cheque was made up of shares of the previous month's commission set aside by the company's agents across Canada. During the month, Henry Howard, C.L.U., of Victoria, ranked second in Canada. A. L. Wright, C.L.U., manager of the B.C. Sun Life branch, was chairman of the organization which arranged the donation.

Say It With Smile

The frown with which Alf Joyce, city road, poll and dog tax collector, greeted his mail at the City Hall today changed to a smile when he opened one envelope.

The letter was addressed to the "Pole Cat Collector." Inside was \$4, covering two road tax accounts.

Arriving Home




Maj. Leonard W. Johnson, R.C.S., will arrive in Victoria Wednesday, having completed a special course taken at Royal Military College, Kingston, where he stopped over on his return from overseas. He will be met by his wife, who lives with their son and daughter at 128 Wellington Avenue. Maj. Johnson, formerly with the B.C. Department of Agriculture, went overseas from here as a captain in August, 1941, gaining his majority in England. He holds the Canadian Efficiency Medal for 12 years' army service.

National Association of Marine Engineers of Canada, will meet in Union Building, tonight at 8.


Eighteen residents of the 500 block on Michigan today petitioned the city for removal of boulevard trees there owing to the darkness into which they plunge the street at night.

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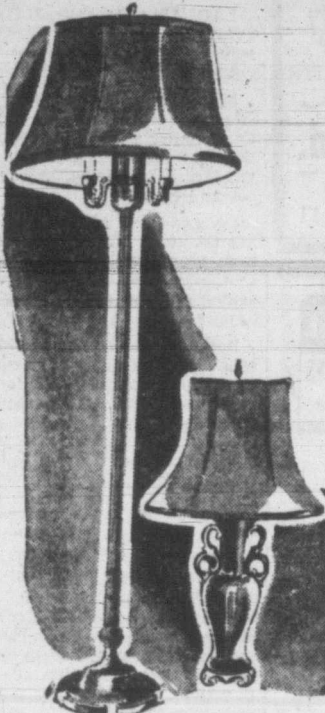
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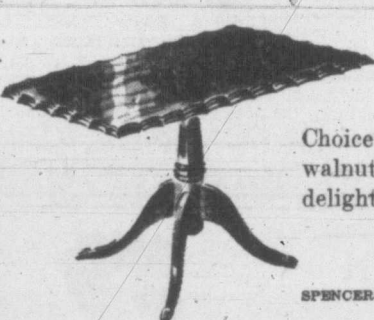
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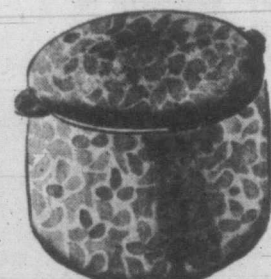
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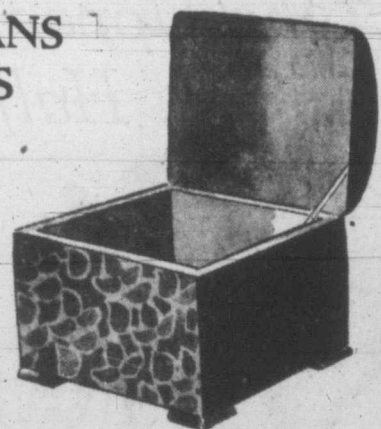
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ASSETS	
Cash on hand and due from Banks and Bankers	\$160,242,919.67
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks	31,355,042.18
Government and other Public Securities	606,511,305.82
Other Bonds and Stocks	12,966,146.78
Call and Short Loans (Security held of sufficient marketable value to cover)	33,104,781.37
Total Quick Assets (80.21 per cent of Total Liabilities to the Public)	\$903,780,195.82
Loans and Discounts (After full provision for bad and doubtful debts)	230,548,706.80
Acceptances and Letters of Credit for Customers (See below)	24,921,080.18
Bank Premises	12,798,951.62
Deposit in Circulation Fund, held by Dominion Government	500,000.00
Other Assets (including refundable portion of Dominion Government taxes amounting to \$196,728.20)	6,098,488.90
Total Assets	\$1,178,647,423.32
LIABILITIES	
Notes in Circulation	\$ 6,880,524.25
Deposits	1,095,013,865.33
Acceptances and Letters of Credit (See above)	24,921,080.18
Total Liabilities to the Public	\$1,126,815,469.76
Capital Paid Up	30,000,000.00
Reserve Fund	20,000,000.00
Dividends declared and unpaid	469,137.35
Balance of Profit as per Profit and Loss Account	1,362,816.21
Total Liabilities	\$1,178,647,423.32

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
Year Ended 31st October, 1944

Profits for the year ended 31st October 1944, before Dominion Government taxes but after appropriations to Contingent accounts out of which full provision has been made for bad and doubtful debts	\$4,706,479.76
Less:	
Dominion Government taxes (of which \$62,789.00 is refundable under the provisions of The Excess Profits Tax Act)	\$1,709,962.91
Transfer to Pension Fund	601,545.18
Written off Bank Premises	350,000.00
Net Profit after the foregoing deductions	2,661,506.09
Dividends	\$2,046,971.67
Amount carried forward	1,800,000.00
Balance Profit and Loss Account 31st October 1943	\$ 246,971.67
Balance Profit and Loss Account 31st October 1944	\$1,118,844.54
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Mr. and Mrs. L. Wright of Nanaimo are at the Strathcona.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brewster of Banff are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Welch, Qualicum Beach, are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Woods of Boundary Bay are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Butler of Tulsa, Oklahoma, are in Victoria, visiting at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Street of Montclair, N.J., are at the Empress.

Major and Mrs. A. A. Drummond, San Francisco, are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Brown of Hollyburn have come to Victoria and are at the Empress.

LAC. Alice Haycraft, R.C.A.F. (W.D.), who has been spending leave in Victoria, has left for Ottawa.

Mrs. George Dunlop, with her small son, will return Tuesday to Comox after spending two weeks with her husband's parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dunlop, 1960 Lansdowne Road.

Dr. and Mrs. Allan Bishop of Seattle, with Jane and Peter, have been spending a few days at the Empress Hotel, and also visited relatives at Nanaimo and Langford.

Retiring members of the staff of St. Mary's Sunday school, Oak Bay, were honored when other members entertained. Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunns presided and presentations, in honor of their long service, were made to Mr. W. C. Gelling, former superintendent; Miss Joan French and Mr. T. F. R. Oliver. Refreshments were served and during the evening Miss Elsie le Gresley and Mr. Oliver gave musical selections.

Mrs. J. R. Stone, 1021 McClure Street, entertained at a children's party in honor of the tenth birthday of her daughter, Sylvia Laurean. Games were played and later refreshments served from a table covered with a three-tier birthday cake. Each guest received a gift from a huge "Christmas pie." Among these invited were Ann Kipling, Jean Webster, Adrea Fulton, Eleanor Straith, Betty Ann McBain, Doreen Luney, Heather Macdougall, Doreen Carey, Norma Stewart, Maureen Smith, Robin Maunsell, Lucy Ferby, Elizabeth Hillard, Laurel Young, Violet Noble, Bertha Cox, Jacqueline Lewers, Shirley Roberts, Lucy Parker, Lorraine Brown and Virginia Wellsman.

Lydia McClenaghan have left London to assist in the opening of this new centre. Other Canadian "Y" leave centres are being opened in Harrogate and London.

Convenes Tea Musicale

Mrs. H. D. Parizeau, general convener of the tea musicale to be held Wednesday from 2:30 till 6 at the home of Mrs. Stuart Robertson, 1023 Belmont Avenue, in aid of the Children of France Society. Mrs. Parizeau will be assisted by Comtesse de la Feld and Mme. V. Grifflon, while Mrs. E. Bowen and Mrs. J. Q. Gillan will contribute to the musicale. Guests will be received by Mrs. L. G. d'Estrube and Mrs. Robertson. Lady Sweetenham will read tea cups.



Little Theatre Play To Aid P.P.C.L.I.

Victoria Little Theatre production "Arsenic and Old Lace" will be presented Dec. 18 when the proceeds will go to provide soldiers' comforts for members of the P.P.C.L.I. in Italy, it was announced by the auxiliary at a meeting with Mrs. R. Keller presiding.

It was stated that blankets and warm clothing were needed.

A telegram was sent to R. W. Mayhew, M.P., endorsing immediate conscription. A Christmas party will be held Dec. 20 at 2 in the Y.W.C.A. for children of the members of the auxiliary. Member's children whose names are not on the list are asked to contact Mrs. D. Featherstone, G 7484, immediately. Members and their wives will be guests at this party.

The sum of \$115 was realized from a rummage sale. Any member of the auxiliary wishing to send a special parcel overseas containing lists of names for distribution should get in touch with Mrs. G. C. Holland, E 8117. Annual meeting will be held Dec. 15 at 8 at the Y.W.C.A.

Remittances recently sent to Mme. Sun Yat-sen, chairman of the China Defence League in Chungking, include \$894, Canadian currency, in August, and £1,000 equal to \$4,470, Canadian currency, in September-October, according to the treasurer of the committee for medical aid for China. Collections from boxes in Chinese stores were \$102 for October, \$108 for September and \$592 for the four previous months. All moneys sent to the China Defence League are used for wounded in the international peace hospitals, started by a Canadian, Dr. Norman Bethune, and for refugees and orphans.

Plans are being made for a rummage and superfluties sale to be held Saturday at the headquarters at 737 Pandora and contributions will be welcomed there between the hours of 9:30 and 5.

W.A. Wants Action

At an executive meeting of the W.A. Tuberculous Veterans the following resolution was passed and sent to Ottawa:

"It is the urgent desire and wish of this auxiliary, Post No. 18, B.E.S.L., that the sitting member for Victoria, R. W. Mayhew, M.P., see that the vote of the people, as shown in the plebiscite in 1942, re conscription for overseas to insure adequate reinforcements for our fighting men, be enforced immediately; or make the suggestion that a battalion be formed of mothers who have sons in the war zones on land, sea and air, since the beginning and who are not fortunate enough to have the many comforts that so many here at present in Canada are enjoying (the majority of whose fathers fought overseas in the last war)."

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C.W.L. to Hold Annual Bazaar

Under the auspices of the Catholic Women's League the annual bazaar will be held in the parish hall Dec. 1 and 2 in aid of St. Andrew's Church. Bishop Cody will open the affair. The stalls will be in charge of, fancy work, Mesdames Blair, Reid, M. Doyle, W. H. Cross and F. Sullivan; home cooking, Mesdames C. Johnston, R. Kissinger and W. Martin.

The Altar Society will be in charge of a Christmas cake and the conveners will be Mesdames W. Dames, K. Hughes, F. Devine and E. Lennox; aprons, Mesdames M. E. O'Neill, J. W. Kissinger, A. Legace and E. Mateson. The Missionary Circle of the Little Flower will have a stall of Christmas gifts and wrappings. The Jr. C.W.L. will convene the novelties and the C.Y.O. the ice cream and pop. Members of the Knights of Columbus will have charge of the games in the evening.

Tea will be convoked by Mesdames A. Morry, W. Milligan, A. L. Battle, A. Humphries, A. Charlebois and W. J. Sullivan. Mrs. M. J. Haley and Mrs. A. P. Mulvihy will be in charge of the draw.

Red Cross Notes

Parade Monday—Canadian Red Cross Corps. No. 1 detachment will parade in Christ Church Cathedral Memorial Hall Monday at 19:45 hrs. Orderly officer for week ending Dec. 2, Jr. Sec. L. Davidson; next for duty, QM. Lowe; orderly corporal for week ending Dec. 2, Cpl. Aylard; next for duty, L. Cpl. Thistle. Address by Miss N. C. Denny, commandant of Duncan detachment C.R.C., and attestation of members by W. Morton Paterson, president, Canadian Red Cross Society, Victoria and district branch.

Acknowledgment Receipts—Honorary treasurer of the Victoria City and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society acknowledges receipt of the following donations: Mrs. Beatrice E. Chadwick \$5, North Saanich and Sidney Unit \$9.69, a Pensioner \$5, Manning Lumber Mills Ltd. \$1.50, Esquimalt Unit \$210; in memory of Major C. S. Wilkie \$150, Manning Lumber Mills Ltd. \$10, 1st Colquitz Girl Guides \$5, Canadian Red Cross Corps \$13.58, View Royal Unit \$25.30, Bamberton Unit \$75.20, Mount Tolmie Unit \$199.33, Cadboro Bay Unit \$50, Sidney Unit \$1.05, Beaver Club, Hudson Bay Company \$250, Sidney Roofing Co. Ltd. \$35, Belmont Unit \$4.00, Women's Benefit Association \$115, Royal Oak Unit \$25, Women's Auxiliary to the Air Services \$25, Capital City Temple No. 35, Sister Lodge \$5, Charcuterie Francaise \$7.25, Superfluties Store \$85.00, Sooke Unit \$22.50, Metehosin Unit \$73, Yarrows Ltd. Employees' War Services Fund \$350, Junior W.A. to the Air Services \$2.50, Cordova Bay Unit \$6.75, donations at Red Cross Workroom \$25, in memory of Mrs. Stewart G. Clark \$5, H.Q. office donations to P.O.W. fund \$37.50, general \$18.

Strawberry Vale—Unit will hold a Christmas bazaar and tea Wednesday in the Colquitz Hall, Wilkinson Road. The bazaar will be opened by Mrs. W. Hobart Molson at 2:15. There will be home cooking, fancywork and miscellaneous stalls.

Ration Coupons

Ration coupons valid Tuesday are: Sugar, Nos. 34 to 47 inclusive; preserves, Nos. 1 to 34 inclusive; butter, Nos. 82 to 87 inclusive. Butter coupons, 82 to 85 inclusive, expire Thursday midnight.

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Engagements

Announcements to appear under this heading will be accepted at the Times Advertising Department. Minimum charge \$1.50 for 10 lines, and 15c for each additional line.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Harvey, 670 Kerr Avenue, announce the engagement of their second daughter, Shirley, to SPO. Stanley Robertson, R.C.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robertson, Swift Current, Saskatchewan. The wedding will take place in December at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields Church, Obed Avenue.

Queen Congratulates Women's Institutes

Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, has expressed her appreciation of a gift of \$500 sent by the B.C. Women's Institutes for bombed victims of Britain, and specially mentions five young members of Colwood Women's Institute.

This fund, known as the B.C. Women's Institutes' Queen Elizabeth Fund, was instituted by the North Fraser Institutes early in the war.

The letter, dated Oct. 9, from the Queen's Lady-in-Waiting, Lettice Bowly, says:

"I am commanded by the Queen to acknowledge your letter of May 15 just received and to thank the members of the Women's Institutes of British Columbia for your most generous gift."

"It is very kind of you all and the Queen knows that much hard work and many kind thoughts must have gone into the raising of so large a sum."

"Her Majesty will add it to her fund for those who have lost their homes and all they possess through enemy action."

"Will you particularly convey the Queen's thanks to the five young members of Colwood Women's Institute?"

The five Colwood members referred to in Miss Bowly's letter were young members who collected \$100 of the \$500 from proceeds of their quilt-making.

For 1945 the B.C. Women's Institutes are planning special activities in the first part of the year to raise money for the B.C. W.I. Queen Elizabeth Fund and proceeds raised will be forwarded in July as a gift to Queen Elizabeth on her birthday, Aug. 4.

Clubwomen

Britannia Lodge No. 216, L.O.B.A., will hold an apron shower Wednesday from 2 to 4 at the home of Mrs. Almond, 632 Battery Street. There will be a bazaar at the Orange Hall Dec. 5, when fancywork, home cooking will be sold. Afternoon tea will be served. Mrs. F. Cook, Worthy Mistress, will open the affair at 2:30.

Esquimalt Chapter Order Eastern Star will hold its annual bazaar in Sons of England hall Wednesday. The affair will be opened at 2:30 by Mrs. W. Hichen Smith, Associate Grand Conduress. There will be stalls of home cooking, fancy work, aprons, novelties and bingo. Supper will be served at 6. Court whist will be played at 8. Mrs. Amy Preddy, Worthy Matron, will receive. Mrs. Mary Stuart is general convener.

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W.A. to Royal Jubilee Hospital; Wednesday, 2:30, Nurses' Home. ... W.A. to R.C.E., Tuesday, 2:30, home of Mrs. R. Bessonet 649 Admirals Road. ... W.A. to R.C.A.M.C., Tuesday, 2:30, Y.W.C.A. ... Camosun Chapter I.O.D.E., Friday, 2, headquarters.

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Wren Audrey Avery of Larder Lake, Ont., gets a thrill trying out one of the signal lamps on the bridge of H.M.S. Jaseur, newly commissioned warship for the Royal Navy. The Wrens were invited aboard for the ship's gun trials.

Dorothy Dix

SELFISH MOTHER
FETTERS BOY

I have a letter from a woman whose husband died when their only child was five years old. The husband left no estate and the mother bravely went to work to support the little lad. During all the weary years in which the boy was growing up she solaced herself with a dream. It was that when he was a man that they would establish a home together and that she would keep house for him and they would live happily ever afterwards. He was never to love any woman but her, never to marry.

The boy had his dream, too, which was to make life easy for his mother, and as soon as he began to earn money he made her castle in Spain turn into a reality and she was blissfully happy for a year or two. Then Fate dealt her what she regards as its cruellest blow. Her son fell in love with a girl and married her.

Now the mother is the most miserable of women because she feels that her son has betrayed her.

"I gave up everything for him," she moans, "and he would not give up a silly, little, fluff-headed girl for me."

She harps upon the debt he owes her and will not see that she is a female Shylock who is demanding to be paid with the pound of flesh nearest his heart. For what is life to the man who is forced to forego all thoughts of love and all hope of a wife and children?

Clubwomen

A Christmas guest calendar tea will be held Thursday at 2.30 at the First Baptist Church. The musical program will include numbers by the Misses McGill, vocal solo by Mrs. R. McIntosh and a reading by Miss Maureen Casselton.

Willing Workers' Club will hold a bazaar and whist drive Tuesday at the Hard-of-Hearing Hall, 1416 Broad Street. Home cooking and sewing stall of animals and gifts for Christmas will be featured. Supper will be served. Funds will be used for donations to the Red Cross, Prisoners of War Fund, Queen Alexander-Solartum, H.M.C.B. Beaconhill, cigarettes for wounded servicemen overseas.

Dr. Bert Bailey Given New Post

The American Association of Registration Executives today announced appointment of Dr. Bert Bailey of Seattle and Victoria to the National Central Council on Vital Records. On this council, which is made up of six members chosen from various regions of the United States, Dr. Bailey will represent the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Nebraska. The council will go into session immediately in consideration of a plan to unify the registration of births, deaths, marriages and divorces throughout the United States, and Dr. Bailey will leave this week for Washington, D.C., and New York, where the first meetings of the council will be held.

Dr. Bailey is a native-born Victorian, and was educated at the Universities of B.C. and Washington after leaving the Victoria public schools and Victoria College. He taught high schools in Nanaimo and Saanich, and served as the first principal of the Mount Douglas High School. He Saanich before taking his present position as chief of public health statistics for the State of Washington.

Boy Scouts

Langford Scout troop entertained friends and parents in the Legion Hall. W. H. Leggett was master of ceremonies. "A Patient," a burlesque, was given by Victoria Rovers and "First Aid Treatment" by the local scouts. Field commissioner Freeman King gave an address. A colored film on Africa was shown by Herbert Pendray. Badges were presented to Scout Bert Leggett, knotters; Scout Raymond McTavish, handyman; Cub Philip Gilbert, artist, handyman, orderly and homemaker.

Beekeepers can make more money with fewer hives by keeping more bees to the hive all year around instead of only for the season.

In 1932 Max Valleria, German, lost his life in a crash of a rocket powered airplane, being the first known casualty in rocket research.

Uncle Ray

AFRICAN NATIVES HAVE
STRANGE BELIEFS ABOUT
PAIR OF "MAGIC DRUMS"

In the heart of Africa west of Lake Victoria, is a strange land known as Ankole. It is part of Uganda, a British colony or "protectorate."

If you visited Ankole, you would find few, if any, British residents. Almost all the people are negroes.

The negroes are divided into two classes, the masters and slaves. The masters are known as "Hima" and the slaves as "Iro." Far back, there seems to have been a mixture of foreign blood in the Hima stock. Invaders are believed to have reached the region, probably coming from northern Africa.



The Hima own most of the long-horned cattle which graze about the high plains. Some of them follow the herds of cattle, but others live in villages.

The Iro people are chiefly farmers, but some of them serve as carpenters, smiths and makers of pottery. On their farms they grow grain and other crops.

A person who wants a favor in Ankole is fortunate if he has the good will of the "mugabe." The mugabe is the big chief, or king, of the tribe, and controls the sale of property. From time to time he gives a stretch of land to some lesser chief.

The king's village has a fence around it. Most of the houses inside the fence are used by the royal family and servants. Made of mud and woven twigs, the houses amount to little from our viewpoint, but the natives think their ruler has a grand estate.

In the royal courtyard is a space set aside for two "holy drums." The natives say that these drums have magic powers. Spirits in them are supposed to bring good or evil to the kingdom.

No one dares to beat those cowhide drums. Milk from a special herd of cows is placed beside them each day, and they are guarded by priests. The drum spirits are supposed to get food value from the milk, but after they have had time to do this, the milk is drunk by the priests.

The Ankole people talk about gods who are spirits of past kings. They also have an "earthquake god," and when the ground shakes, they believe that the earthquake god is angry.

For travel section of your scrapbook.

Babe Freese Heads Women's Golf Field

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Babe Freese, 11th Portlander, walked out with the top prize in the women's amateur division of the Portland open golf tournament Sunday. Turning in a 340 score for 72 holes.

Betty Hicks, Chicago, women's national amateur champion, who turned pro—the only woman professional entered—got \$300 in war bonds for her efforts. She toured the 72 holes in 327, finishing today's 18 in 81, 3 over par.

Island Temple No. 8, Pythian Sisters met at the K. of P. hall, Mrs. Vera Philbrook presiding. Nomination of officers for the ensuing year was held. The entertainment committee was instructed to make arrangements for holding the annual Christmas tree and entertainment for members and their children.



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AND THE HICCUPS WERE GONE

By MARY BEARD
Director, Nursing Service,
Red Cross

Mary Wilson had had an operation for appendicitis. Because the hospital was so crowded she had been sent home in an ambulance the fourth day after the operation, and her mother assumed the role of home nurse.

The air was warm and balmy, and Mrs. Wilson, not aware of the possible harm that may result from a draft on a sick person, had opened the window wide so that her daughter might enjoy the fresh spring sunshine.

You can imagine her concern the next day when Mary's temperature and respiration went up and she developed a distressing cough. Mrs. Wilson knew these symptoms were important enough to report to the doctor. When he came out and made a diagnosis of pneumonia she was panic-stricken. Fortunately, the new sulfa drug treatment brought prompt relief, and Mary was soon improving again.

Mrs. Wilson, thinking the worst was over, had just begun to relax when Mary was seized with an attack of hiccups. Mrs. Wilson tried everything she had ever heard of to stop them, without success. It seemed a trivial thing to call the doctor about, but she wisely decided that was the best thing to do.

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The doctor gave her some simple advice over the telephone that worked like a charm, and she was relieved that it was not necessary for him to make a visit. He told her to place an ordinary paper bag over Mary's nose and mouth and press the opening firmly to her face, so that she could breathe in and out of it. He explained that as the oxygen in the bag is replaced by carbon-dioxide gas, the hiccups would probably subside. If they did not, Mrs. Wilson was instructed to call him again. Fortunately, this treatment had the desired effect, and Mary recovered without further difficulty.

Labor Men Urge Wealth, Industry Be Conscripted

The conscription of wealth and industry as well as manpower was favored by delegates to the Vancouver Island joint labor conference meeting Sunday evening.

An amendment favoring the setting up of a coalition government in Canada for the duration of the war was withdrawn, as was an amendment to the amendment that a committee be formed to study the issue of conscription and submit its findings to local trade unions.

C. Chivers, reporting on the public meeting in Beacon Hill Park Sunday afternoon, strongly urged that for the duration of the war Canadians forget politics, cease political bickering and get on with the job of winning the war. Robert Noble dissociated himself from the meeting in Beacon Hill Park, stating when he accepted an invitation to speak he was under the impression it was to be a democratic one, but found instead it was sponsored by "a gang of Tory adventurers."

The resolution presented at that meeting had already been sent to Ottawa and a reply received before the meeting was even held, Mr. Noble said.

C. W. Marshall reported on the campaign of the Citizens' Arena committee and urged all trade unions to give it their full support. A letter will be sent to all local unions urging them to adopt collection of donations to the arena committee by union shop stewards on the job.

COMPENSATION ISSUE
As a result of the report by Robert Noble that the National Union of Machinists, Fitters and Helpers has had trouble in collecting compensation, the meeting went on record in favor of payment of full compensation to injured workers from the day of the accident.

David Essler, an honorary member of the Boilermakers' Union, and aldermanic candidate in the forthcoming civic elections, addressed the meeting, pledging his support to labor should he be elected. The meeting unan-

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WAX PAPER , 40-ft. roll, each... 7 1/2¢	BLACK PEPPER , 1/4-lb. cellophane pkt., each... 7 1/2¢

Old English No Rubbing Floor Wax 1/2 gal. for... 1 29	Christmas Cards Good Variety 1¢ Each	Aylmer Orange Marmalade 2 lb. jar... 25¢
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mously endorsed Mr. Essler and C. Chivers, president of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council for aldermen. The principle of donating city-owned lots for the sum of \$1 for home construction was endorsed.

The next meeting of the V.I. J.L.C. will be held Jan. 7.

Leslie O'Connor May Succeed Landis

CHICAGO (AP)—Leslie M. O'Connor, secretary of Kenawau Mountain Landis since the day he took office as commissioner of baseball 24 years ago, may be the man eventually chosen by the 16 major league club owners as successor to Judge Landis who died Saturday.

O'Connor, 56, has been the man behind the scenes in the rule of baseball.

A shrewd lawyer, he is well trained in a field which plays an important role in the commissioner's office. He has written many of the decisions which Judge Landis signed and has otherwise conducted the routine affairs of the office.

Juvenile Soccer

Juvenile soccer games carded this week follow:

Tuesday—Division One: Oak Bay vs. Mount View, Windsor Park, 4; Esquimalt vs. Mount Douglas, Athletic Park, 4. Division Four: St. Louis College vs. Balmoral Thistles, at Heywood Avenue, 4.15.

Wednesday—Division Three: Combines vs. George Ales, Athletic Park, 4; Blue Line vs. Black and Whites, Beacon Hill, 4.

Thursday—Division Two: Maple Leafs vs. Oak Bay, Athletic Park, 4. Division Four: St. Louis College vs. Victoria City, Beacon Hill, 4.

Saturday—Division One: Toppers vs. Mount Douglas, Athletic Park, 1.30. Division Four: Balmoral Thistles vs. James Bay, Beacon Hill, 1.30.

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BOB CUNNINGHAM DIES

NEW YORK (AP)—Bob Cunningham, 75, former bantam-weight contender who participated in the first fight in a padded ring and the last turf battle, died here Saturday of a heart ailment.

Cunningham engaged in more than 150 bouts from 1885 until he retired in 1895, including a title scrap with Tim Murphy in 1891, when the referee jumped out of the ring without giving a decision in the fourth round.

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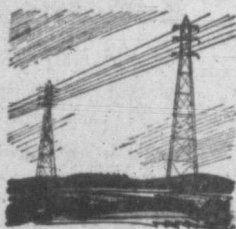
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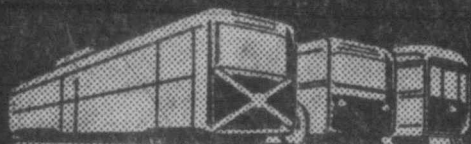


2. But these results have been achieved only with the greatest difficulty. To foresee and provide for a twelve-times increase in the use of power, with only a three-times population growth; to carry the burden of depression years; to meet the stupendous power demands of the present war; problems such as these have called for far-sighted thinking and resolute action.

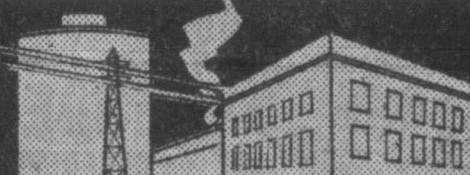


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December Campaign For Civic Aspirants
Mayorality candidates in Victoria's civic elections will concentrate their campaign efforts on radio appeals in the second week of December, with P. E. George holding the only public meeting definitely scheduled. He will sponsor a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce, Dec. 11, following radio addresses Dec. 6 and Dec. 9, he said today.

Mayor Andrew McGavin has not yet decided on a public meeting, but plans to broadcast Dec. 7, 9 and 11. He will be heard over the Victoria station next Wednesday in a report on his stewardship during 1944. All candidates for municipal office will be invited to the George meeting, its sponsor said.

Food, in bits and dribbles, is wasted by almost everyone; the annual waste in the United States is estimated to be 225 pounds per person from farm to garbage pail.

Canada Tourist Boosters Work For Canadian Unity

Promoters of tourist travel, from one end of Canada to the other, pledged themselves at a government dinner at the Empress Hotel Saturday evening to do all in their power to have the provinces co-operate and co-ordinate their services, to encourage British Columbians to go to Quebec and Quebec people to come here, to tell the whole country of the charms of every part of the country.

More than a dozen speakers at the dinner said such co-operation and working together must be done, not only in tourist travel, but in every walk of life, in the interests of Canadian unity, so that Canada may speak with one strong voice, so that Canadians will feel all parts of Canada are theirs.

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HISTORIC OCCASION
Mr. Rowbottom said the occasion was an historic one for it was the first time so representative a gathering interested in the tourist industry had been gathered around the one table. He noted the leading Canadian railway and steamship lines had representatives, as did motion pictures, press and radio.

Quebec province, for the first time in its history sent a delegate so far west in the interest of tourist travel. He was Hon. Paul Beaulieu, Minister of Trade and Industry in the Duplessis government. He was guest speaker at a Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau at Malahat, Chale Saturday noon and also said a few words at the dinner.

He said on both occasions that Quebec is most anxious to co-operate with all other Canadian provinces, with a view towards unity of Canada.

"We must be proud of our country," Mr. Beaulieu said. "We are all Canadians."

Quebec, he said, is proud to be with Canada as part of the British Commonwealth of Nations and he urged his audience to read into the history of Quebec to learn that twice that province has said it wants to remain under the British flag.

Hon. E. C. Carson, Minister of Mines, Trade and Industry, at the dinner said such gatherings are looking to the future. He noted the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau is now 37 years old and "I think we can safely leave its affairs in the hands of our good friend George Warren."

CIVIC GREETING
Alderman Archie Willis, speaking on behalf of Mayor McGavin and the City Council, most of whose members were present, thanked the tourist men from across Canada and from Washington State for helping bring visitors to Victoria.

"We are always glad to see you and there will always be a welcome for you," he assured them.

Lyle Abrahamson, Tacoma, representing the Washington State Progress Commission, spoke on behalf of the U.S. visitors, thanking Victoria for its hospitality and pledging continued co-operation of Washington State with British Columbia.

Elmer Johnston, re-elected president of the Evergreen Play-ground Association, said that organization is looking forward to busy times when the war ends and that planning must be done now.

M. Leo Sweeney, president of Vancouver Tourist Association and the B.C. Automobile Club, recalled his boyhood days in Victoria when he played football with Johnny Johnson and sold papers on the streets here.

He said he was particularly pleased to see so many eastern Canadians present, "for we have established a bond of friendship with the easterners that we never had before."

Alderman G. H. Worthington of Vancouver, said Victoria's tourist industry is the greatest industry the city has.

"It is the most vital industry in your city," he said.

Mr. Beaulieu said: "I am going back home with a souvenir that will be unforgettable—I shall cherish the memory of this day as long as I live."

Hon. Herbert Anscomb, Minister of Public Works and Municipal Affairs, said: "I don't think there is anything better for the future of Canada than meetings of this kind. There was never a better ambassador sent from the Province of Quebec than Mr. Beaulieu. Let us continue to mingle together for a unified Canada and if we do that there is nothing we need fear."

At the luncheon Mr. Anscomb had said the tourist industry will be one of the great links between war and peace industry, helping to bridge the transition period. He urged greater movement of Canadians between east and west.

ACCESSIBILITY NEEDED
R. Rowe Holland, chairman of Vancouver Parks Board, said, "We must make our scenery more accessible and more available to the people who come here."

William C. Clark, who presided at a luncheon, spoke for the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau, hoping the delegates would come again to Victoria and send their friends here.

Leon Dolan, head of the Canadian Government Travel Bureau, said a North American travel axis, composed of Canada, the United States and Mexico must be formed in the future.

A. A. Gardiner, general passenger-traffic manager of Canadian National Railways, said he believed the tourist industry would help in forming Canadian national unity.

Honor J. D. C. Forsyth For W.P.T.B. Work
TORONTO — For three years, J. D. C. Forsyth, president of John Forsyth Limited, Kitchener, Ont., has served as administrator of the men's furnishings department of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. On the occasion of his retirement from that office, his wartime services were recognized by a testimonial dinner and presentation tendered him in Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Two hundred and fifty guests, including outstanding personalities of the W.P.T.B. and the men's furnishing business, attended; Thomas W. Leair occupied the chair and toasts to the guest were made by M. E. Enkin, H. H. Woodward and George S. Hougham.

The presentation, made to Mr. Forsyth on behalf of the guests by H. G. Smith, W.P.T.B. official, included an elaborate leather bound book from his associates and friends in the men's and boys' furnishing industry, containing a portrait of Mr. Forsyth and carrying the autographs of all present at the ceremony. Mr. Forsyth was also the recipient of a beautifully engraved sterling silver tray and Mrs. Forsyth received a basket of flowers.

This is the second occasion on which Mr. Forsyth has been honored for his services as administrator in the W.P.T.B. Previously he had been presented with an onyx desk set with inscribed brass plate by the directors of the Men's Furnishing Department of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Paints that reflect infra-red rays may be used on houses after the war; they reduce heat absorption in the painted surface thus keeping the building in sunlight cooler.

Bank of Montreal Reports New High Total Resources

Showing total resources at a figure higher than in any previous year, the annual statement of the Bank of Montreal, is an outstanding illustration of the prosperity prevailing throughout the country, as reflected in the business of the hundreds of offices of the bank which are located in all districts across Canada.

The annual statement, which is the 127th in the history of the bank, shows total assets of \$1,526,734,000, an increase of \$213,669,000 over the previous year.

DEPOSITS AT RECORD
Deposits, which last year stood at \$1,205,874,000, the highest figure to that date, increased by \$214,937,000 to a total of \$1,420,811,000, notwithstanding heavy withdrawals in both the commercial and savings departments by subscribers for investment in Victory Loans.

STRONG POSITION
Cash holdings and money on deposit with the Bank of Canada stand at \$184,473,000, an increase of \$62,196,000, while holdings of bonds and debentures, the greater portion consisting of Dominion government and high-grade provincial and municipal securities which mature at early dates, have risen by \$156,075,000 to the impressive total of \$955,538,000. These, with notes and cheques on deposit with other banks of \$87,662,000 with call loans of \$51,165,000, which latter increased in the year by \$29,000,000, place the quickly available resources of the bank at \$1,279,000,000, equal to 88.30 per cent of all liabilities to the public.

COMMERCIAL LOANS
Commercial and other loans to manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others total \$203,104,000—down from \$226,399,000—the decrease indicating a continuance of the trend of recent years in which many businesses engaged on government war work have found less requirement for banking accommodation. All liabilities to the public total \$1,448,768,786, to meet which the bank has resources of \$1,279,000,000, leaving an excess of resources over liabilities to the public, representing the shareholders' interest of capital, reserve fund and profit and loss account, of \$77,965,464.

PROFITS
Profits for the year which ended October 31, after deduction of taxes payable to the Dominion government, amounted to \$3,194,300.19, a figure less by \$108,534 than in the previous year. The decrease in profits is, no doubt, a reflection of the generally lower interest return which is being received by banks upon loans and in investment account, as well as substantially higher operating costs combined with an increased total of interest payable to depositors upon a substantially higher volume of deposits in the savings department.

From the net profits of the year ended October 31 last of \$3,194,300.19, there was distributed to shareholders in dividends \$2,160,000, and a sum of \$500,000 is written off bank premises, these amounts being the same as in the previous year. After these deductions is left a balance of \$534,300.19, which, added to the previous balance in profit and loss account of \$1,879,512.13, makes an amount to be carried forward in this account of \$2,413,812.32.

Fake U.S. Lieutenant In Local Shipyard

BOSTON (AP)—A 19-year-old, six foot, three-inch former U.S. Marine Corps private was taken into custody by federal authorities at Calais, E. A. Soucy, Federal Bureau of Investigation Bureau chief here, said he faced U.S. charges of illegal wearing of a uniform and impersonation.

Soucy said the man, identified by the F.B.I. as Martin Edward Maher, a resident of Everett, Wash., had been "posing as an aide to Admiral King at Chatham, N.B., Canada, where he was the guest of an officers' mess at the Canadian army base."

Soucy added that an R.C.M.P. investigation showed Maher had previously visited Victoria, B.C., where he entered a shipyard in the guise of a lieutenant of the U.S. navy and inspected a newly launched British vessel.

Purchases of fuel, materials and supplies by railroads in 1943 were greater than in any year since 1927.

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Leaves for Toronto

Miss Marion James, primary supervisor of the city school board, left Victoria Sunday by air to attend a Toronto conference Friday and Saturday of authorities on reading techniques.

While in the east she will visit the Institute of Child Study at the University of Toronto. The institute is conducted by Dr. W. Blatz, noted authority on the subject.

Miss James is due to return here Dec. 4 by plane.

RAINBOW SEA CADETS

Entire ship's company will parade Headquarters 1920, Duty Hands, 19.00, Tuesday, Duty Division, Nelson under Midshipman Saunders, Friday, Duty

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ANNUAL STATEMENT
31st October, 1944

RESOURCES	
Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada	\$184,473,969.24
Notes of and Cheques on Other Banks Payable in cash on presentation	56,397,561.85
Money on Deposit with Other Banks Available on demand or at short notice	31,264,469.84
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of Dominion Government and high-grade Provincial and Municipal securities which mature at early dates.	955,538,246.28
Stocks Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.	382,539.67
Call Loans In Canada Elsewhere	51,165,809.69
	\$ 6,632,049.80 44,533,800.89
Payable on demand and secured by bonds, stocks and other negotiable collateral of greater value than the loans.	
TOTAL OF QUICKLY AVAILABLE RESOURCES (equal to 88.30% of all liabilities to the Public)	\$1,279,222,637.57
Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts	11,576,134.02
Commercial and Other Loans In Canada Elsewhere	203,104,015.12
	\$194,487,531.12 8,616,484.00
To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.	
Bank Premises Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at \$1.00 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds \$12,900,000.00 are included under this heading.	12,900,000.00
Real Estate and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.	327,291.46
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.	16,604,876.48
Other Assets not included in the foregoing (but including refundable portion of Dominion Government taxes \$975,703.75)	2,999,296.88
Making Total Resources of	\$1,526,734,251.53

LIABILITIES	
Due to the Public	
Deposits In Canada Elsewhere	\$1,420,811,136.87
	\$1,244,528,982.86 176,282,154.01
Payable on demand or after notice.	
Notes of the Bank in Circulation Payable on demand.	8,568,045.00
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources").	16,604,876.48
Other Liabilities Items not included under the foregoing headings.	2,784,728.47
Total Liabilities to the Public To meet which the Bank has resources as indicated above amounting to	\$1,448,768,786.82
Leaving an excess of Resources over Liabilities, which represents the Shareholder's interest over which Liabilities to the Public take precedence.	
Capital	\$36,000,000.00
Reserve Fund, Profit & Loss Account and Reserves for Dividends	41,965,464.71
	\$ 77,965,464.71

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT	
Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1944, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after making provision for estimated Income and Excess Profits Taxes amounting to \$3,725,000 (of which \$340,000 will be refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act)	\$3,194,300.19
Dividends paid or payable to Shareholders	\$2,160,000.00
Written off Bank Premises	500,000.00
	\$ 334,300.19
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th October, 1943	\$1,879,512.13
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$2,413,812.32

NOTE REGARDING SPECIAL ADJUSTMENT OF TAXES IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR ENDED 30th OCTOBER, 1943
The Minister of Finance has expressed the opinion that the transfers made in 1943 to Contingent Reserve Fund from the earnings of this Bank were in excess of the reasonable requirements of the Bank.

The management and the auditors of the Bank do not agree with the Minister in this matter but having been advised of the Minister's views and of his purpose to act in accordance therewith, we have estimated that approximately \$2,200,000 of such transfers must be added to income of that year for tax purposes. As a result the Bank will be called upon to pay additional taxes for the year 1943 of a like amount under the Income & Excess Profits Tax Act. Provision has been made from Contingent Reserve Fund for this tax liability, of which twenty per cent, or \$440,000, will be refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act.

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OVALTINE

Chinese Leader Merely a Tool, Says Repatriate

Chiang Kai-shek is merely the tool of the Kuomintang party of China, which is composed of the wealthy, conservatives who are rumored to be collaborating with the Japanese in the opinion of S. J. Sadkowsky, who has recently been repatriated from China, after spending eight months in the hands of the Japanese at Canton.

Mr. Sadkowsky is visiting his daughter, Mrs. W. Gibson, who resides at 2189 Bartlett Avenue. He is Russian-born, but was forced to leave Russia in 1906, just after the abortive 1905 revolution. He went first to China, and then to Australia.

However, he was soon back in China, where he lived the rest of his life except for the Great War years, when he served with the Royal Navy as an intelligence officer on the Salonika front. At the time of the fall of Canton he was just returning to his position with the Chinese Maritime Customs, preceding the Japanese into the city by two days.

The first warning that he and other British subjects had that Britain and Japan were at war, he recalled, was on Monday morning, Dec. 8, at 7, when they were placed under domestic arrest. For the eight months that he was in the hands of the Japs, Mr. Sadkowsky said, he was not ill-treated, but was not allowed to communicate in any way with anyone else. The only contact he was allowed with the others under arrest in Canton was once a week when they were all allowed to walk around the park.

In speaking of the situation in modern China, Mr. Sadkowsky did not appear to have great faith in Chiang Kai-shek as a leader of the Chinese people, as he feels that the Generalissimo won his position by virtue of the fact that he is the brother-in-law of the great Chinese leader, Sun-Yat-Sen.

With the death of Sun-Yat-Sen, Mr. Sadkowsky said, the wealthy members of the Kuomintang forced Chiang Kai-shek to give up his socialist principles and persecute the citizens of the socialist sections of China, whose men make up the famed Eighth Army of China. "They, the 8th Army, are the only people in China who really know for what they are fighting," he declared.

Mr. Sadkowsky could not say how long he would be in Canada. Since his repatriation in 1943, when he was exchanged with other embassy officials, he has been working with the censorship division in London. He hopes to work with the oriental division of UNRRA, he said.

Col. Henry Cockshut Dies in Brantford



LATE COL. H. COCKSHUTT

BRANTFORD, Ont. (CP) — Col. Henry Cockshutt, chairman of the board of directors of the Cockshutt Plow Company Ltd., and former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, died here Thursday, aged 76. He had been in failing health since the death of his wife several months ago.

He resigned as president of the company in 1934, but as chairman retained an active interest in its affairs.

Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario from 1921 to 1927, he was a native of Brantford and always participated in civic affairs.

There are two daughters, Margaret Elizabeth and Katherine Isabelle. A nephew, C. Gordon Cockshutt, succeeded him as president of the company when he retired from that position after being with the company since 1884.

Col. Cockshutt was a veteran of the First Great War, organizing and commanding the 215th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

He was a former mayor of Brantford and connected with many philanthropic organizations.

He held honorary LL.D. degrees from the University of Toronto and the University of Western Ontario, London.



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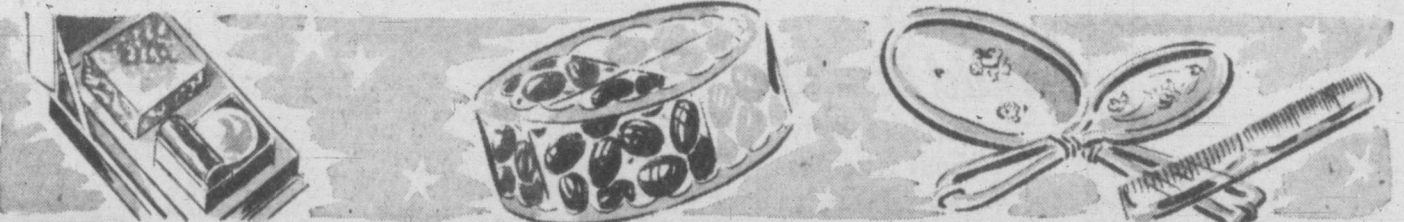
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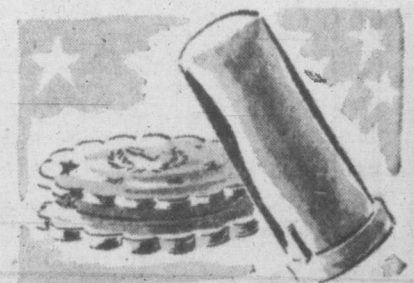
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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

BASEBALL'S stern-visaged, shaggy-haired dictator, Judge Kene-saw M. Landis, known to sports fans all over the world, has answered the call to the Great Beyond. One of the most colorful figures in the history of sport, Landis ruled the national game of the United States with an iron hand. Baseball—from millionaire presidents down to chubby bat boys—called Judge Landis a tough man. Always insistent upon the highest standards of sportsmanship, Landis made it an inflexible rule that rowdiness would not be tolerated in baseball. When an umpire was injured by a thrown bottle at a Chicago White Sox-New York Yankee game in Chicago a few years ago, he offered \$5,000 reward to anyone who could help to identify the offending spectator.

LANDIS was a nationally-known jurist long before he took the job of baseball's high commissioner in 1921. As far back as 1907, as a United States judge, he fined the Standard Oil Company of Indiana \$29,240,000 in a freight rebate case but the supreme court reversed the case. But it was as baseball's number one man that the public knew him best. He entered the sport when it was staggering from the scandal of the 1919 world series between the Cincinnati Reds and Chicago when it was proven certain players had sold out the Chicago club. Then, down through the years, he ruled with a never-faltering two-fisted program which put the game back on its feet, earned him the admiration of fans and players and the respect, even though sometimes grudgingly given, of the club owners.

LANDIS' long reign over baseball was not without its bitter fights. Many times the rich owners attempted to fight back against some particular ruling laid down by the commissioner, but Landis always won out. Many of his baseball decisions were for the benefit of the players whom he was determined to protect at all costs. In 1940, after nine months' investigation, he granted free agency to 91 Detroit players valued at close to \$300,000. He charged Detroit with "covering up" young players and warned all baseball executives, in no uncertain terms, that heavy fines and ineffectual would be the penalty for repetition of the offense. The decision produced one of the greatest scrambles in the history of the sport for one of the Tigers who became a free agent, second baseman Benny McCoy, who was signed by the Philadelphia Athletics for a bonus of \$45,000 and two-year contract at \$10,000 a season.

HERE are some other highlights in Landis' career. In the fall of 1921 he fined the great Babe Ruth, Bob Meusel and Bill Pierce, members of the world champion New York Yankees, their full share of world series money because they defied a rule against barnstorming, and suspended them for the first month of the succeeding season. In 1935 he authorized Edwin C. (Alabama) Pitts, a former Sing Sing convict to play pro baseball on his release from prison for robbery, after the executive committee of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues voted to bar Pitts from the diamond. In 1936 he upheld Cleveland Indians' claim to Bob Feller, sensational young pitcher. In 1937 he declared Tom Henrich, then a rookie in the minors and later a star outfielder with New York Yankees, a free agent because Cleveland secretly owned the outfielder when he was under contract to minor league clubs. In 1938 he sharply criticized the St. Louis Cardinals' farm system and Branch Rickey, general manager of the club. He fined three minor clubs and made players in six clubs free agents for what he said was their participation in secret working agreements.

DESPITE the criticism hurled his way, the baseball leaders recognized his great leadership and only a few days ago a major league baseball committee had recommended that at the expiration of his current term Landis be re-elected for another seven-year term. If the baseball leaders cannot agree on a successor to Landis, an agreement call for them to have President Roosevelt name the man to take over the game's number one job.

Varsity Wins Rugby

Crimson Tide Beaten 14-0

VANCOUVER (CP) — Varsity Thunderbirds swarmed over Victoria's Crimson Tide with a 14 to 0 victory in the second game of the McKee Cup here Saturday.

In a driving rain, with the field soggy, Bell-Ing, Cullin and company found the going too slippery for their liking, but Varsity's McCusker, Ralston and Croll did not appear to mind the elements.

Cam Layard suffered a broken ankle and a few other players received wrenched arms and knees. Early in the first half Harry Kabush missed a penalty kick. Then McCusker made a 40-yard gain and a series of scrums rushed Varsity over the line, only to be called back when the play was called offside.

On a penalty kick, Victoria booted out of danger, but Varsity came right back and sent Maury Moys across for the first try. The convert failed.

In the second half McCusker sprinted 40 yards to make the

score 9 to 0, and McKercher kicked the convert. After a long run by Ralston, Bob Croll took a pass for his second trip into try territory to end the scoring for both sides.

Navy Basketballs Score First Victory

Navy basketballers marked up their first win in the men's senior B division Saturday night, with a surprise 18 to 12 triumph over Tommy Tuckers, the club they had lost to by 13 points only three nights previous. In other games K.V.'s intermediate A boys, downed Combines 35 to 26 while Eagles won from the St. Louis College 21 to 16 in an intermediate B boys' tilt.

In a game marked by close checking, bluejackets were never headed. Paced by Rutherford with seven points the Navy made good advantage of their scoring opportunities, while Tuckers, outside of Chuck Chapman with six points, had a bad night with their shooting eyes.

Teams and scores follow: Tommy Tuckers—Bell, Handy, Patterson, Garnet 4, Duncan 1, Perkins 1, Michel, Chapman 6, Bryant.

Navy—H. Stevens, Primmer 3, Leeming 2, G. Stevens 4, Rutherford 7, Utke 2, Bain.

Combines—Scott 6, Winter 7, Morris, Atkins 7, Long, McKellar 6.

K.V.'s—Stewart 4, Yardley 15, Howell 2, Patterson 2, Hay, Walker, Turner 2, Berg, Anderson 10.

Eagles—Booth 8, H. Slang 2, Tooby 3, Ellis 2, Browning 2, Webster 2, Page 2, McMillan.

St. Louis College—Moonen 1, Pegz, Joyce 2, Crabble 2, Vaesen, Lownds, O'Brien, Gray 7, O'Connell, French 4.

GOLFERS WIN TURKEYS

In the turkey competition held at the Uplands Golf Club over the week-end, Robert Watson had the low gross with a 74. The turkey for low net went to Bert Waude with a 67, with J. D. Ferguson and Joe Barlow tying with net 68s for the third bird. They will decide possession in a playoff. The next turkey competition will be held Sunday.

'Y' Specialists Trim Washington Juniors In Intercity Gala

Specialization and balance paid off for the Y.M.C.A. Swimming Club at the Crystal Garden Saturday night as the Archie McKinnon-Dan McGowan proteges trimmed Ray Daughters' Washington Athletic Club juniors 49 to 29 in the first Seattle-Victoria meet of the last three years.

The Victorians, with an eye set on Canadian championships in the east next summer, piled up points on the relays, winning three of four total events.

The Salmons, brother Peter and sister Ina, in the breaststroke, Joan Morgan and Dick Bowden, backstrokers, and Don and Aileen Smyth, freestyle, presented teams with too much balance for the Seattle youngsters and netted both medley relays.

Lou Towers led the Washington girls to their first victory in the 50 freestyle, while Bob Miller, a boy with a lot of swimming rhythm, took the boys' 100 freestyle.

Joan Morgan and Dick Bowden steamed home in front for "Y" points in the backstroke events and Ina Salmon took the girls' breaststroke. Brother Peter lost by a touch after leading in the boys' race.

Ted Rau presented a neat diving exhibition, with Don Burgess providing the comedy element.

Displays and novelties by the "Y" midgets added to the interest of the program.

SOCCER MEETING

A special meeting of the Victoria and District Football League will be held in room 43, Arcade Building, Tuesday evening at 7.30.

PIMLICO RACING CLOSES

BALTIMORE (AP) — Pimlico closed its most successful meeting in history Saturday, providing mild upsets for 19,110 spectators as Christiana Stable's Megogo and William Hells Rick's Red won the two \$25,000-added feature events, the Pimlico Cup and the Walden Stakes.

Week-end Soccer

West's, V.M.D. Victors

LEAGUE STANDING

	Goals	
W. L. D. F. A. Pts		
West's	4 1 1 18 11 9	
V.M.D.	1 0 0 20 8 8	
Nanaimo	3 2 2 12 16 8	
Navy	1 3 2 14 19 4	
Army	0 5 1 12 22 1	

Victoria West were back in top place in the Victoria and District Football League on the strength of a 5 to 3 victory over the Army Sunday afternoon. V.M.D. moved into a tie with Nanaimo for second position, one point back of the pacemakers, by smothering the up-landers under a 7 to 0 score here Saturday. Both games were played on muddy fields with the players finding it difficult to play good soccer under the heavy going.

Played in a semi-gale, good football was hardly possible, and nobody was over disappointed. The Wests played their usual type of spilling game, and a half line of Red McMillan, Roy Barnes and Jimmy Oakman had much to do with their victory, checking first time and getting the ball up-field without loss of time. Capcy, Roy Barnes kept the high-scoring Ty Conti well in hand, and the chunky soldier had to be content with a lone marker.

The left wing of Raeside and Morgan was the best afield with Morgan reaching top form in some of his moves. His tricking of two defenders, practically on the bye line, and slipping to Raeside to net the fifth goal was particularly fine.

Sinclair made a reappearance for the Army at centre half, and was a tower of strength on defence, and attack. The soldiers, also fielded Allan Todd, at left half, who once played with the famous Westminster Royals, when that stellar aggregation captured the Dominion championship, though a bit rusty from idleness, should be a big help to the troops with another game or two under his belt.

A few moments from time, Conti and Tommy Restell had a slight difference of opinion as to what comprised the "ethics, or lack of them of good goal keeping." The atmosphere in the region of the six-yard line was severely shaken by a choice assortment of right, and left hooks, but Referee Clancy was in a lenient mood, and no one had an early visit to the showers.

FAST SCORING

Wests kicked off, and with the aid of a strong wind were soon in the vicinity of the Soldiers' defence. Chuck Restell finally caught a cross from Webster in mid-air, and volleyed it into the net. Harry Holmes, at the other end, was proving his usual botherome self, and slipped into the middle to accept a pass from Munro, for the equalizer: Chuck

Portland Golf Wind-up

Sammy Snead Winner

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The "comeback kid" did it Sunday—Slamming Sam Snead, making his first major golf tournament start in more than two years, won the 72-hole Portland open with a score of 289.

Recently discharged from the U.S. navy after 26 months' service, the colorful Hot Springs, Va., pro cracked the tournament monopoly known as the "Gold Dust Twins," the combination of former national champion Byron Nelson of Toledo, O., and Harold McSpaden of Philadelphia.

Since Snead went into the service, after winning the national P.G.A. title in May, 1942, Nelson and McSpaden between them have cleaned up on the bulk of the country's tournaments, Nelson being the leading money winner of this year and his running mate in second place.

They were pretty much out of the running in the Portland \$15,000 war bonds event, starting the winter open tournament season. Nelson finished in a tie for fourth place, at 296, and McSpaden ended far back, with 300 and a tie for 14th.

Snead, meanwhile, pocketed the major prize of \$2,675 in war bonds.

GALLERY OF 5,000

Once the leading money winner in a single year, Snead was the magnet that attracted a gallery estimated at 5,000 fans Sunday in sunny, clear weather.

Snead trudged through four rounds to wind up only a single stroke over par.

Snead nosed out veteran Mike Turnesa of White Plains, N.J. Snead posted four rounds of 70-74-73-72 for his 289. Turnesa carded 71-71-75-74 for 291.

Ted Longworth, local pro, slipped into third place with a finishing 73 and a total of 295. Ex-champ Nelson, the tournament favorite, shared fourth position with Bruce Coltart, Absecon, N.J.

Fred Wood of Vancouver, one of Canada's leading profes-



SAM SNEAD

sionals, finished seventh with 298 and won \$550 in war bonds. Henry Martell of Edmonton finished seventh among the amateurs with a 72-hole total of 310. The Edmonton policeman covered the final 18 holes in a smart two-over-par 74 after carding higher scores in earlier rounds due to his unfamiliarity with the soggy fairways and greens.

TABLE TENNIS ENTRIES

Annual club championships of the Victoria Table Tennis Association will open Wednesday at the Crystal Garden courts. Entries will close tonight with Vic Tully, telephone G 1205. The tournament will continue through to Saturday night.

Vancouver Marks Up 20-6 Triumph In Grid Battle

Playing only their second game together the St. Louis College Combines showed excellent combination and the making of a strong team but were outdone by the more experienced Vancouver College team in an American football game at MacDonald Park Saturday afternoon. The mainlanders came through with a 20 to 6 victory, for which they had to fight the whole length of the way.

In the final for the 135-pound six-man league title St. Louis College defeated Fletchers 13 to 12.

Bob Murphy, outstanding full back for Vancouver, was the star player on the field and carried the ball 32 times gaining 177 yards. In the first three minutes of the game, before Combines could collect themselves Murphy scored the first touchdown on an end run. The conversion was made by Steve Rynoski, also on an end run. Murphy scored two of the three touchdowns with Rynoski getting the final one.

Fred French, brilliant runner and plunger of the Combine's team, put plenty of fight into team when he got a 50 yard run round right end to give Victoria its touchdown in the first half.

Fred French and Len Scott did most of the ball carrying for Combines gaining a good many yards in centre plunges which broke up the Vancouver blocks and gave them something to think about. The first half ended with Vancouver leading 7 to 6.

Three-quarter time ended with the score still the same, and at the beginning of the fourth quarter experience began to show when the Vancouver team tore open the line of the defenders and Murphy went over the one yard line for the second touch-down, after eight consecutive plays down the field. Combines being a bit shaken by this, lost 11 yards on three plays and had to kick. The final touchdown was made by Rynoski on a right end run.

Rathery O'Brien and Gordon Brown of the Combines were the outstanding blockers and bucked many a centre line plunge tried by Vancouver. Scott of Victoria showed great promise as a kicker and his punts were well placed throughout the game. In the final analysis Vancouver wound up with 16 first downs to Combines three.

Canadiens Split Two With Toronto

WEEK-END SCORES

Toronto 2, Canadiens 0.
Canadiens 4, Toronto 1.
Detroit 7, Chicago 4.
Chicago 6, Detroit 5.
Boston 8, Rangers 4.

National Hockey League fans were treated to the season's best displays of puck-chasing during the week-end, which saw Montreal Canadiens, last year's champions, lose and then regain the leadership and the collar-dwelling Chicago Black Hawks win their first game since Nov. 1.

Toronto Maple Leafs, short on manpower, defeated Canadiens 2 to 0 in Toronto Saturday night for the first shutout of the season and took over the league's top spot for one night. On Sunday, in Montreal, the Canadiens moved back into first place with a 4 to 1 win over Leafs.

In the only other Saturday night affray, Detroit Red Wings strengthened their third-place position by handing Chicago a 7 to 4 beating, but they dropped a 6 to 5 decision to the same team Sunday. Boston Bruins retained sole possession of fourth place by handing New York Rangers an 8 to 4 trouncing at Boston Sunday.

Saturday, the Leafs lost Lorne Carr, right winger on the Leaf "Dynamite" link, who went to hospital after the game with twisted ligaments in his right leg, suffered in the second period. Walter (Babe) Pratt got the first goal early in the last period and Mel Hill notched the other seven minutes later.

RICHARD SCORES THREE

Frank McCool continued his stellar net-minding as the two squads played on Montreal ice before more than 12,000 fans Sunday and it wasn't until early in the middle period that Maurice Richard found the mark for his first of three markers in the game. Fern Gauthier made it 2 to 0 before the period ended. Shortly after the third period got under way Nick Metz tallied for Leafs. Then in the final two minutes a penalty to Reg Hamilton paved the way for Richard to drive in two quick goals.

The Black Hawks kept pace with Detroit for two periods of their Saturday night contest before the Wings broke away in the final stanza. At the end of the first period the score was 2 to 2 and the Wings held a 4 to 3 lead entering the last frame. Two

Hockey Standings

	N.H.L.	Goals
	W. L. D. F. A. Pts	
Canadiens	9 3 1 47 29 19	
Toronto	9 4 0 32 41 18	
Detroit	6 4 2 56 39 14	
Boston	4 6 1 43 49 9	
Rangers	1 6 3 32 53 5	
Chicago	2 8 1 46 65 5	

quick goals by Murray Armstrong and one by Carl Liscombe, his second of the game, cinched the match. Other Detroit marksmen were Syd Howe, Eddie Bruneteau and Jud McAtee. Bill Mosienko, Bus Brayshaw, Clint Smith and Pete Horeck netted for Chicago.

Last night the Hawks came from behind in the last period to tie the count and got the winning marker with less than two minutes to go. Carl Liscombe banged in the first goal of the game and veteran Earl Selbert got that one back for the Hawks. Ted Lindsay made it 2 to 1 for the Wings before the first period ended. Mosienko, Horeck and Joe Cooper scored in that order before the halfway mark of the second period and then Art Jackson and Lindsay found the mark to leave the teams tied at 4 to 4 going into the final period. Joe Carveth gave the Wings a 5 to 4 advantage, but Mosienko went into action to tie the count and wind up scoring the winning goal.

Bruins kept the Rangers in close check most of the way in winning 8 to 4. They led 3 to 1 at the end of the first 20 minutes and counted three times in the second while holding the New Yorkers scoreless. Bill Jennings and Armand Gaudreault, each scored twice for Boston and other marksmen were Bill Cowley, Art Jackson, Dit Clapper and Frank Mario. Grant Warwick, with two, Phil Watson and Joe Shack were scorers for New York.

Win Golf Button

Walter and Bill Newcombe are the new holders of the city golf button. Playing at the Uplands Club, Sunday, the Oak Bay pair defeated Len Hiberson and Gordon McKenzie of the home club, 1 up. The new holders have already received a challenge from Gordon Verley and Ken Lea.

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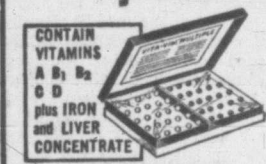
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3,000 At Mass Meeting Back Conscription Gives Mothers Easy Way

An orderly throng of 3,000 people stood before Beacon Hill Park grandstand in the cold rain of Sunday to hear ten speakers discuss the conscription issue and to give support to a resolution demanding that all personnel now serving under the National Resources Mobilization Act and further draftees called up under the act be subject to military service in any theatre of war.

Marked by brevity and restraint, the addresses gave the mass meeting little opportunity for demonstration. There were few interruptions during the course of the afternoon. A silent tribute to the fallen was given at the opening of the meeting.

Service police were on duty but there was only a handful of soldiers, sailors and airmen dotted throughout the crowd. Representatives of the city and church, as well as men's and women's organizations throughout Victoria, were seated on the bandstand.

"We took the bull by the horns and sent the resolution to Prime Minister Mackenzie King in a night letter Saturday night," Robert Knight, president of the District Council, Canadian Legion, and chairman of the ex-servicemen's special committee, arranging the mass meeting, told the audience after the resolution was presented and passed.

A similar resolution was sent R. W. Mayhew, M.P., and a wire sent back by him in time for Sunday's meeting, read: "All men called up under M.R.M.A. should be put in training camp and dispatched as soon as training is completed. Those men fully or sufficiently trained should be sent over as soon as shipping can be arranged."

IN ANY THEATRE OF WAR

The resolution presented to the meeting read: "Move that the government of Canada, without further delay amend whatever orders-in-council, regulations, etc. as may be required so that all personnel now serving under National Resources Mobilization Act, and further draftees called up under this act and regulations shall be subject to military service in any theatre of war and insure a timely, adequate supply of well-trained, well-equipped reinforcements for our fighting men and women overseas."

Rev. Harold E. Sexton, Anglican Bishop of British Columbia was called out of town, the chairman told the meeting, but read a statement sent by the Bishop.

"Conscription is the only fair and just way to prosecute a war," Bishop Sexton wrote, but added that he had no sympathy with people who would make political capital of the issue.

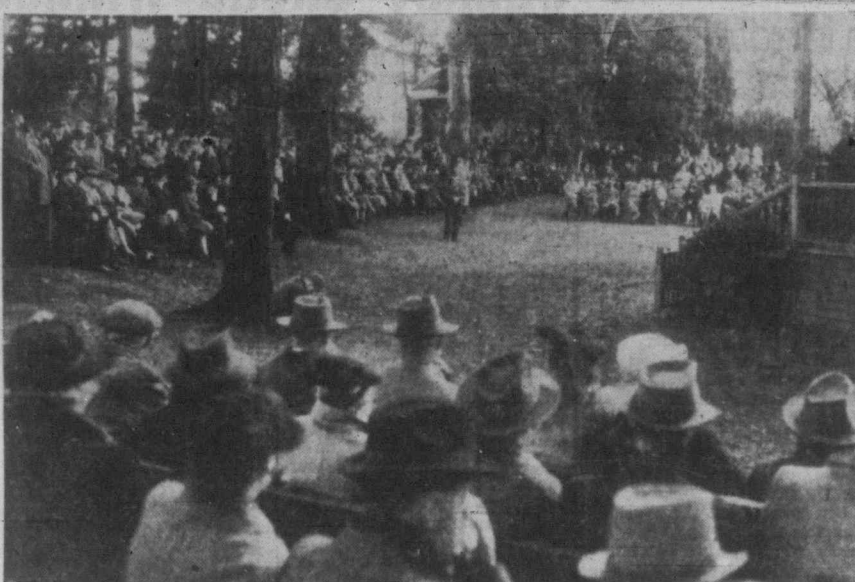
Most Rev. John C. Cloy, Roman Catholic Bishop of Victoria, unable to attend because he was giving Confirmation at 3 Sunday afternoon sent a statement in which he said: "I do not feel I should send a representative because in my humble estimation it is premature to make a final judgment of this serious problem until all the facts for both schools of thought are tabled in Parliament."

First speaker to address the crowd was Brigadier J. Sutherland-Brown, president of the Army and Navy Veterans, who charged that the government of Canada was "so spineless," that for a long time they did not use the power vested in them. He denied statements attributed to General Andrew McNaughton, minister of National Defence, on the value of conscripts in the last war.

CONSCRIPTS SAVED BREAK

"Conscripts in 1917 saved the breaking up of the Canadian Corps," he said and told of the service rendered by 500 French-Canadian draftees taken into the 14th Battalion who fought throughout the last "100 days" of 1918. "Get conscripts overseas, voluntary effort will not supply the men needed," he said.

"Sixteen thousand isn't enough. There will be heavy fighting ahead in Germany; casualties will be very heavy. Mackenzie King fearful of Quebec, has pussyfooted all the time. We British people have him in a corner and now is the time to give him the knockout blow."



An orderly crowd surrounds the bandstand in Beacon Hill Park to hear pleas for conscription.

Rev. G. A. Reynolds, minister of First Baptist Church, said he was in favor of out and out conscription and said he included men wearing the clerical collar if they were young enough and physically fit for service.

"In Ottawa they talk of division," Mr. Reynolds said. "Who made the division between boys here and overseas; it's the little grandmother at Ottawa. I am anxious for unity but we can't have unity if we demand five years over there for my son and yours and let others stay here."

"I would like to see some of the boys who have been sitting around Victoria given a chance to get over. It seems to me that McNaughton is playing politics," he said of the statements published during the last few days about "giving McNaughton a chance."

The grandmother and his little general should be asked to take an exit and in the interests of Canada, we should ask Col. Ralston to come home."

Robert Noble, representing the Victoria Labor Council, said that the premier promised the nation it should have general service if necessary, and added: "This pledge is being honored; his task is far from easy. It remains for us to loyally accept this promise and pledge our support."

WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

"My auxiliary is united in favor of total overseas conscription," Mrs. W. A. Guthrie of the Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Scottish told the meeting. "It is we, the women of Canada, who share the heavy burden of separation. We have sent our men to war, not happily, but I hope with courage."

Women took pride in the fact that their men were volunteers, she said, but added that they would have been none the less proud had all men been conscripted at the outset of the war. She said she feared the effects on the morale of men overseas of a bitter and prolonged wrangling at home on the subject of conscription.

Unable to attend owing to laryngitis, Mayor Andrew McGavin was represented by Alderman W. L. Morgan, who read a statement from the Mayor, in which he said in part: Examining first the Profit and Loss Account, it will be noted profit shows a slight increase and after paying the usual dividends, retaining \$45,541.45 for Dominion Government Taxes, contributing \$109,801.84 to Staff Guarantee and Pension Funds and writing \$150,000 off Bank Premises, the credit at Profit and Loss Account has been increased by \$135,336.42 and now stands at \$982,262.14.

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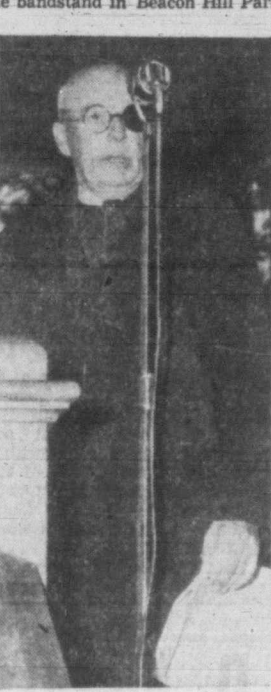
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"Labor wants not only manpower conscription but every thing necessary to win the war," Charles Chivers, president of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, said as he called for total conscription of national resources. "Be not too critical of the people of Quebec; stop this racial distinction and work for Canadian unity."

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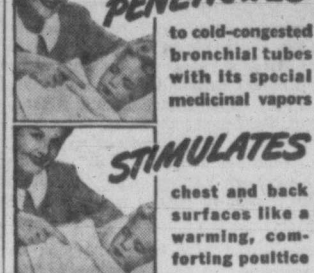
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Mr. Chivers was interrupted by calls from the audience on two or three occasions. Lee Hallberg, representing the Junior Chamber of Commerce, said that the chamber had been in favor of conscription at the outset and saw no reason now to change its views.

Percy George said that he endorsed total conscription and added: "We must have total conscription at least of manpower." Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps, municipal regent of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, said that full conscription of manpower and national resources had always been their policy.

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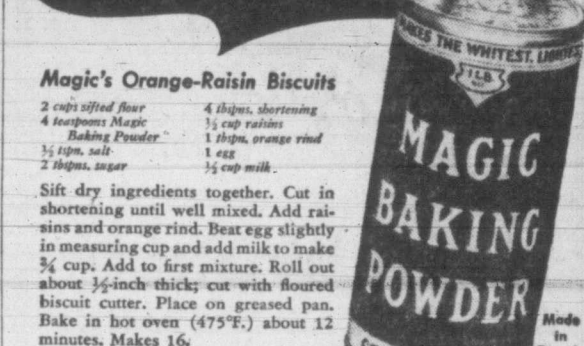
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As previously mentioned the privilege of the Banks to issue their own notes ceases as from the 1st of January 1945 and at the end of five years from that date the amount of notes then outstanding must be paid to the Bank of Canada who will thereafter redeem any presented for payment.

A change was also made in the par value of the capital of Bank shares, each share of \$100 being divided into 10 shares of \$10 each. This will make for wider distribution of shareholdings and should prove a popular move. In our own case the number of shareholders has already increased from 2766 in 1935. Of these 2984 shareholders with total holdings of 603,820 shares reside in Canada.

The maximum rate of interest that may be charged on loans was reduced from 7% to 6%. This is not important as the vast majority of loans were already bearing a 6% or lower rate, though it might be better if interest rates were permitted to reach their own levels, as in many other countries, by supply and demand rather than be the subject of legislative action. In this connection an unfortunate tendency is to be noted in some quarters to arbitrarily reduce interest rates and otherwise interfere with the operation of the market and the rights of creditors. While little objection can be offered to this so far as future contracts are concerned the same cannot be said of contracts that were entered into on both sides on the faith of the law as it existed at the time the contracts were made. The great majority of debitors are willing and able to implement their obligations if given a reasonable opportunity to do so and the great majority of creditors are willing to give their debtors this opportunity if conditions bear unduly harshly on the debtors. Surely it would be much better to permit the interested parties to make their own arrangements than resort to force of arbitrary action.

Further changes in the Act make provision for loans to farmers and fishermen to purchase equipment in connection with their various operations. As previously stated, we are willing and anxious to make such loans in appropriate cases and to do our utmost to make these new features of the Act a success.

Proposals were also made to provide what are known as "Personal Loans" to wage earners and others but consequently abandoned. This Bank has always catered to small as well as large business and has made many friends in doing so. To provide for popular demand, we have recently established a system of small loans repayable in monthly instalments over a year on the basis of a rate of 6% interest per annum over the period of the loan. These loans are available at all our branches.

STAFF

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity of expressing appreciation to the staff for their continued loyalty and support, without which the results of the past year would not have been possible. All are working under great strain and some handicap and all are entitled to a share of the credit and to our thanks. Our total staff now number 1707, of whom 1152 are young ladies. Five hundred and Ninety-three officers, being 50% of the male members of the staff at the outbreak of war, are serving with the Forces. Of these it is with much regret and some pride I have to report that 37 have paid the supreme sacrifice and that 11 are reported missing and four are prisoners of war. To the parents and relatives of those who have given their lives I would again extend our sincerest sympathy and to the others I would say we will welcome their return to the service when hostilities cease.

The following were elected Directors—Messrs. A. E. Phipps, R. S. Waidie, Col. J. F. Michie, J. W. Hobbs, Walter G. Laidlaw, John A. Northway, G. H. Atkins, K. C. Winnipeg, H. E. Sellers, Winnipeg, W. B. Woods, Arthur L. Bishop, E. E. Bucknerfield, Vancouver, C. C. Cockburn, Brantford; H. H. Horsfall, H. L. McCulloch, Galt; W. B. Powell, Hamilton; J. R. Timmins, Montreal; Elliot S. Frost, Montreal; F. G. Rolph, W. P. Walker.

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CHUNGKING (AP)—The Chinese high command Monday night announced the fall of Hochih, 95 miles west of Luichow in Kwangsi province, southern China, in the Japanese sweep toward Kweichow province.

Hochih is but 20 miles from the Kweichow border, and 120 miles southeast of Kweichow. Burma Road town in Kweichow whence the invaders would be in position to strike at Chungking.

Loss of Hochih was announced shortly after it had been disclosed the last forward U.S. air base in south China, a fighter field at Nanning, had been abandoned and destroyed by the 14th U.S. Air Force Nov. 19.

There was general acceptance of the Japanese claim to the capture of Nanning, although the high command still made no mention of the enemy drive southward toward Indo-China.

It seemed possible the Chinese were handing out bad news in small bits in order to avert panic. General uneasiness heightened despite this, however.

The communiqué said the Japanese by-passed Hualingyuan, a railroad town 43 miles west of Luichow, to reach Hochih, and attacked Chinese positions five miles west of Hochih.

Nanning was the seventh U.S. air base lost in the twin Japanese northward and southward thrusts which for all practical purposes had split China in two.

The fall of Nanning leaves the Japanese only 110 miles to go to establish a final link between Manchuria and French Indo-China. Abandonment of the air-strip indicated this may already have been virtually accomplished by the enemy.

Chinese troops in Yunnan to the southwest clearing the China end of a supply route from India meanwhile have driven the last enemy forces from the mountain passes between the Mangshi and Chafang valleys and are only 35 miles from the Burma border.

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2 New Pre-primaries

Two new pre-primary centres, one at Oaklands, the other at St. James Douglas, v.s. announced by Austin I. Curtis, chairman of the City School Board, today.

"These quarters," Trustee Curtis said, "will be opened early in the new year, as soon as quarters can be made ready for occupancy."

The extension of the service, which will be given to preschool children five years of age or older by Jan. 31 next, follows proof of the value of the original experiment at Spring Ridge School. The first centre was established there in September last year and provided preliminary training for the children of the George Jay School district.

Majority Of Quebec M.P.'s Want King Government Upheld On Test

OTTAWA (CP)—Quebec members of Parliament generally were silent today on how they will vote when the division is taken on Prime Minister King's confidence motion, but one spokesman said most of the members were anxious to see the administration upheld.

The spokesman said if there were signs of the government was to be defeated, Quebec members would vote for the government.

The Quebec members felt that if the government was defeated on the confidence motion, it would be succeeded by a union government favoring "all-out conscription."

The spokesman said Quebec members would watch Hon. J. L. Ralston. If the former defence minister voted against the government the Quebec members likely would vote for the government to prevent its defeat. He said many of the English-speaking Commons members were ready to vote as Col. Ralston did. "The Quebec members want to maintain Mr. King at all costs, but they also want to show their opposition to conscription," the spokesman said.

OPPOSED BY GODBOUT

QUEBEC (CP)—Adelard Godbout, former Liberal premier of Quebec and leader of the Liberal opposition in the provincial legislature, said in a statement today

J. M. Whitney, Jeweler, Dies at 76 Years

James Murray Whitney, 76, well-known Victoria jeweler, died in Royal Jubilee Hospital Saturday evening after a brief illness.

Born in Searforth, Ontario, Nov. 13, 1868, Mr. Whitney started his business career in Woodstock before coming to the Pacific coast in 1907. For a time his jewelry house was at 1003 Government before he moved to the present location at Yates and Broad.

In 1916 Mr. Whitney won the Royal Canadian Humane Society's medal for bravery when he saved a young woman from drowning at Shuswap Lake.

For the last 32 years Mr. Whitney had resided on Victoria Avenue, where he built his home in 1912. Mrs. Whitney died in 1939.

Lawrence Price, 4, Injured By Car

Lawrence Price, four, struck and injured by a car driven by Earl Raymond Sleen, 52 Linden, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital Saturday evening suffering from head and stomach injuries, city police report. His condition today is reported to be good.

Mr. Sleen reported to city police Sunday that while he was driving south on Douglas and proceeding with the green light at View, there were five children crossing the road and he struck Lawrence with the left front fender and wheel of his car. He thought he had run over the boy and took him to St. Joseph's.

Lawrence's sister, Jean, nine, who was with the boy, told police her brother had broken away from her and run back into Mr. Sleen's car.

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Registrations of students eligible for the new classes are being received at the City School Board, Oaklands, Sir James Douglas or Margaret Jenkins schools. Forms may be secured from these districts.

Majority Of Quebec M.P.'s Want King Government Upheld On Test

OTTAWA (CP)—Quebec members of Parliament generally were silent today on how they will vote when the division is taken on Prime Minister King's confidence motion, but one spokesman said most of the members were anxious to see the administration upheld.

The spokesman said if there were signs of the government was to be defeated, Quebec members would vote for the government.

The Quebec members felt that if the government was defeated on the confidence motion, it would be succeeded by a union government favoring "all-out conscription."

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Mr. Laurendeau, who last week asked Premier Maurice Duplessis to call a special session of the Quebec Legislature, said it was "fitting that the voice of Quebec be expressed through responsible leaders."

He added the only course left to Quebec was "to call the houses and place before the members an invitation to condemn Mr. King's behavior."

Town Topics

City police received a report at 7:40 Saturday evening of a collision between a car turning onto Cook from Pandora, driven by D. Wasklyn, Cadboro Bay, and a No. 3 street car traveling south on Cook and operated by A. Becker.

Extension for another month of the city's present agreement with the B.C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. for use of Goldstream water was recommended to the City Council this afternoon by Ald. J. A. Worthington, chairman of the water board.

The case of James S. Clark, who was charged in city police court today with twice making false statements to the Rubber Controller and once making false statements to the Oil Controller, was remanded to Dec. 4, at the request of Joseph McKenna, defence counsel.

Eric Fredin, Royal Oak, reported to city police early Sunday morning that while his car was parked outside the Crystal Garden on Douglas it had been struck by another auto. The driver of the other auto, who refused to give his name, had been drinking, Mr. Fredin reported.

Directors of the Canadian Anti-Vivisection Society, Victoria, have asked three more donations to the seven already sent to help war-distressed animals. A report from Washington, D.C., said that certain firms are not going to use cats and other specified animals in drug protection as the methods are "expensive, difficult and unreliable." The society has received a copy of an article exposing vivisection which is circulated among 24,000,000 readers.

Geo. Fane, 3780 Saanich Road, told city police Saturday he had been in collision with an unidentified car at Douglas and King's Street. The other car had jumped the curb over the sidewalk and kept on going, he said. Police were unable to find the car. Considerable damage was done to the right fender of Mr. Fane's car.

Appointment of Phil J. W. Raymond to the post of assistant cashier and counterman in the assessor-collector's department provided the city wishes that post filled, was recommended by the personnel committee to the City Council today. The committee also recommended a salary for the new assistant sanitary inspector and asked consideration for the committee's secretary for overtime she has put in and for other duties she will assume.

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Port Alberni Home Destroyed By Fire

PORT ALBERNI, B.C. (CP)—Fire which was caused by an overheated stove destroyed the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Popham near here.

Imperial Oil Meeting

A four-day conference of divisional managers of Imperial Oil Ltd. of Canada opened today at the Empress Hotel. About 75 are attending from all parts of the country. H. H. Hewitson, vice-president, Toronto, is presiding over the sessions. The convention arrangements are under the supervision of A. E. Halverston, Toronto, general manager for western Canada.

Thief Steals \$50

J. W. Easton reported to city police Sunday that an upstairs apartment at 111 Medina Street had been entered Saturday evening and \$50 and a bank book stolen. Police found entry had been made through the unlocked door of the apartment and the thief had taken five \$10 bills and

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a bank book in the name of Miss Margaret Martin from a suitcase, and had ransacked three or four other suitcases.

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Capitol to Show Murder Comedy

Trees, you may be interested to learn, are not the only things that grow in Brooklyn. Another flora which flourishes luxuriantly in the shadow of Steve Brody's famous bridge is farce comedy, pure and unadulterated. Proving the point beyond all doubt is Warner Bros. comedy hit, "Arsenic and Old Lace," which, with a cast headed by Cary Grant, Raymond Massey, Jack Carson, Priscilla Lane and Peter Lorre, opened today at the Capitol Theatre. Very much ado about Brooklyn and a handful of its zanier inmates, this new comedy hit is unreservedly recommended as the season's most effective gloom-chaser.

Murder and comedy, the ingredients from which the film is brewed, might appear at first glance to be an incongruous formula. But judging from the continuous laughter which marked the picture's initial screening, a better combination of clowning, suspense and frantic activity would be hard to find.

Drama Deals With Student Officers

"Texas to Tokyo," Walter Wanger's timely production inspired by the fighting sons of Texas A. & M. College, comes today to the Rio Theatre. The Universal picture, telling the important story of youth in command, has Richard Quine, Anne Gwynne, Noah Beery Jr. and Martha O'Driscoll in featured roles.

Filed for the most part in Texas, at America's mightiest of officers' training centre, "Texas to Tokyo" gives an account of the mysterious "disloyal" cadet who later reveals himself to be an outstanding hero and receives the Congressional Medal of Honor.

In the supporting cast are Harry Davenport, William Frawley, Edgar Barrier, Bob Mitchell and others.

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Where To Go Tonight

ATLAS - Spencer Tracy in "The Seventh Cross."
CADET - George Formby in "Trouble Brewing."
CAPITOL - "Arsenic and Old Lace," starring Cary Grant.
DOMINION - Franchot Tone in "The Hour Before Dawn."
OAK BAY AND PLAZA - "Since You Went Away," starring Claudette Colbert.
RIO - "Texas to Tokyo," starring Richard Quine.
YORK - Katherine Hepburn in "Holiday."

'Arsenic, Old Lace' To Be Presented

The history of the modern Broadway stage is unique in the fact that during the past four years two different plays have had unbroken runs and have smashed every existing record for continuous performances played and for box office receipts.

These two famous productions are the well-known comedy, "Life with Father" and the mild-provoking mayhem-ridden drama, "Arsenic and Old Lace."

It is with particular pleasure, therefore, that the directors of the Victoria Little Theatre are able to announce that "Arsenic and Old Lace" will be their first major production of the current season and that it will be shown Dec. 11 and 12 at the Little Theatre on Langham Court, off Rockland Avenue.

In addition to the two performances announced, the play will be repeated several times in aid of various worthwhile local patriotic and charitable societies.

The plot of "Arsenic and Old Lace" concerns two sweet old ladies who have adopted the peculiar habit of poisoning their lodgers.

A glass of elderberry wine containing a teaspoonful of arsenic, one-half teaspoonful of strychnine and just a pinch of cyanide is their special prescription.

When the play opens they have 11 bodies in the cellar and the body of Mr. Hoskins in the window box in the living room.

When the body of Mr. Hoskins disappears and the corpse of a total stranger takes his place they are justly annoyed.

An exceptionally strong cast has been assembled for this production and special scenery and stage effects will be used.

Everyone in Victoria who enjoys a good laugh and who likes to see a good play well produced should make a point of attending one of the performances of "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Geo. Zucco Plays His Worst Villain

Although George Zucco has played the "horror" in dozens of spine chillers, he plays his worst villain as the Nazi commander in "The Seventh Cross," starring Spencer Tracy, which opens today at the Atlas Theatre.

Zucco returns to M-G-M. for the role of the Fahrenberg for the first time since "A Woman's Face," Joan Crawford starrer, in which he was featured.

As the commander of the concentration camp, Zucco has one of the most dramatic parts of his career. He is held responsible for the escape of the seven fugitives and it is he who devises the torture of the cross for the six who are captured and returned to the camp. Tracy is the one prisoner who escapes.

Fred Zinnemann directed the screen version of Anna Seghers' best-seller novel in which Signe Hasso, Agnes Moorehead, Hume Cronyn, Jessica Tandy and Kurt Katch are featured.

Pandor Berman produced the film.

DOMINION THEATRE

Acclaimed by millions of readers, Somerset Maugham's dramatic novel, "The Hour Before Dawn," now at the Dominion Theatre is an action-packed Paramount film.

The picture, co-starring Franchot Tone and Veronica Lake, is a departure from all known Hollywood formulas for its story

York Presenting Famed Double Bill

The York Theatre today presents the most sensational double bill seen in Victoria for many months. Though she has long been established as a leading dramatic actress, Katherine Hepburn had little opportunity to display her talent for comedy until she appeared in "Holiday." After her sensational screen success in "Dragon Seed" it would have seemed as illogical to picture the actress as a comedienne as it would be to imagine the immortal Bernhardt or Duse playing the title role in "Charlie's Aunt." But here she comes as a comedienne. Yet the transition from comedy to tragedy and heavy drama has been made successfully so often in that order that it seems only natural that a talented performer should have no difficulty in bridging the gap the other way.

On the other half of the bill there is Eugene O'Neill's story, "Long Voyage Home," starring the lovable priest of "Going My Way," Barry Fitzgerald, with John Wayne, Thomas Mitchell and Ian Hunter in one of the most thrilling sea stories seen in recent years.

dals with a conscientious objector in the early days of England's war with Germany. It is this theme which sways audiences as the wide range of emotions in the film play upon their feelings.



"DRINK AND BE MERRY"—A gruesome twosome are Raymond Massey, murderer extraordinary, and his assistant, Peter Lorre, as they toast Cary Grant, their prospective victim, in Frank Capra's blood-curdling comedy, "Arsenic and Old Lace," now at the Capitol Theatre.

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"THE HOUR BEFORE THE DAWN" now showing at the Dominion Theatre featuring Binnie Barnes, Franchot Tone with Nils Aster and Veronica Lake.

Plaza, Oak Bay Feature Held Over

The American way of living during the period of the people's war serves as the vital subject matter of David O. Selznick's sweeping and heartwarming story of the American home front, "Since You Went Away," currently at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres through United Artists release.

the heroism of the British, the Russians, the French, the Dutch, the Norwegians and other gallant nations as their people withstand the battering ram of the forces of fascism.

But it has remained for Selznick to come forward with a document of Americans. It's the story of the Hilton's which might be any family in vast America. Families everywhere are up against the same problems that face Anne, the mother, and "Brig" and Janet, her daughters. The universality of the theme has touched a responsive chord

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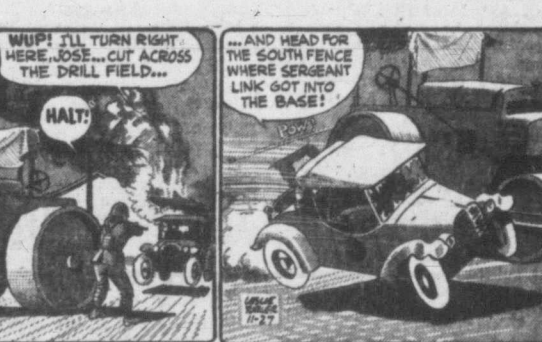
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Bowl Grid Opponents

NEW YORK (AP) — Football bowl foes scheduled for Jan. 1. Rose Bowl (Pasadena) — South-

ern California vs. Tennessee. Orange Bowl (Miami) — Georgia Tech vs. Duke. Sugar Bowl (New Orleans) — Alabama vs. Duke. Cotton Bowl (Dallas) — Texas Christian vs. Oklahoma A. & M. Oil Bowl (Houston) — Rice vs. an opponent yet to be selected. Sun Bowl (El Paso) — Opponents yet to be named.

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HORIZONTAL

1. Fabled R.A.P. (4)

2. Guide (4)

3. Latin American humorist (10)

4. East (4)

5. Measure of area (4)

6. Also (4)

7. Small particle (4)

8. River in Italy (4)

9. Standing room only (4)

10. Aluminum (4)

11. Print measure (4)

12. Diminutive of Benjamin (4)

13. Most (4)

14. Greek letter (4)

15. At that place (4)

16. Current (4)

17. Musical study (4)

18. B-side (4)

19. Sun (4)

20. Charged atom (4)

21. Master of ceremonies (4)

22. Mount (4)

23. Hard-shelled fruit (4)

24. Electrical engine (4)

25. Capital of Italy (4)

26. Thirst (4)

27. Animal (4)

28. Rough lava (4)

29. Part of circle (4)

30. Writing (4)

31. Impassioned (4)

32. He tied for world (4)

33. In knocking-out (4)

34. He is a leading (4)

35. 37 (4)

36. Accomplish (4)

37. Shade tree (4)

38. Set of implements (4)

39. Negative (4)

40. Tavern (4)

41. Shovel (4)

42. Relate (4)

43. Precipice (4)

44. Unqualified (4)

VERTICAL

1. Contain (4)

2. Small (4)

3. Hint (4)

4. South America (4)

5. Verbal (4)

6. Nine (4)

7. Similar (4)

8. Transport (4)

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Vancouver in Bid For Hockey Finals

TORONTO (CP) — Frank Sargent of Fort William, president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, told the 55th annual meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association here Saturday night, that he attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of playing the 1944-45 Allan Cup finals in Vancouver. He said the western hockey associations had only started in their "fight" to block the "wholesale movement of young hockey talent from their home districts."

Manitoba flatly refused to transfer certain players this year, Sargent said, "and they have good reason." "Other years, wholesale raids were made on Manitoba teams and if hockey is to survive out west, the clubs must be protected against such action."

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Horse Racing

INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Horse racing results at Hollywood Park Saturday follow:

First race—Six furlongs:

Montalvo Adams — \$2.00 \$2.30 \$2.30

Average Thorne (Jenkins) — 3.40 2.30

Conover (Corbett) — 4.00 2.30

Time, 1:27. Also ran: Path Sun, Stepiach, Mito Red, Grim Vince, Good Idea, Cousin Mamie, Special Barber, Doctor Coca, Steel Torch.

Second race—Five and one-half furlongs:

April Moon (W. Bailey) — \$2.60 \$2.50 \$2.20

Agencia Girl (Woolf) — 2.90 2.60

Little Nina (Corbett) — 3.50

Time, 1:27. Also ran: Coverbrook, Joyful, Miss Look On, Flying Hawk, Gold Fortune, Gail Galt.

Third race—Mile and one-sixteenth:

Manitoba (Reyes) — \$8.20 \$10.70 \$6.00

Roughage (Hails) — 6.10 4.50

Black Tux (Campbell) — 4.20

Time, 1:45 4-5. Also ran: Speedy Show, His Nicker, Dennis P., Rougher, Vera Cooper, Dutchell B., War Cadet, Gallant Devil, Way Off.

Fourth race—Mile and one-sixteenth:

Olympus (Miller) — \$4.10 \$3.10 \$2.50

Miss Marmalade (Campbell) — 7.20 3.60

Time, 1:46. Also ran: Sullivan, Merodach, Beautiful Boy.

Fifth race—Seven furlongs:

Prince Ernest (Jenkins) — \$4.20 \$3.20 \$2.50

Stitch Again (W. Bailey) — 7.80 5.10

Copyright (Jenkins) — 4.40

Time, 1:31 3-5. Also ran: Hard Pone, Governor, Santiago, Pioneer, Radio Joe, Mill Monahan, Look On, Flying Hawk, Gold Fortune, Gail Galt.

Sixth race—Six furlongs:

Realization (Reyes) — \$13.90 \$4.20 \$4.10

Mikmar Sea (Jones) — 5.30 3.20

Mediteranean (O. Zafetti) — 5.30

Time, 1:12 1-8. Also ran: Nan o' Glory, Top Valley, Hemisphere, Lutescent, Post, Jay Leno, Maguilla, War Allen, Blue Bird.

Seventh race—5 1/2 furlongs:

Sea Swallow (Jones) — \$5.30 \$2.60 \$2.20

Gold Bell (Corbett) — 3.50 2.60

Palmer (Woolf) — 3.60

Time, 1:11 1-8. Also ran: Careful Agent, Albaroz, On Down, Pather Neptune.

